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THERE'S A MR. MURPHY OUTSIDE TO SEE YOU MR. BATSON. HE SAYS HE'S AN OLD FRIEND OF YOURS
MURPHY?! DON'T REMEMBER— WELL, SEND HIM IN MISS DALSHAW

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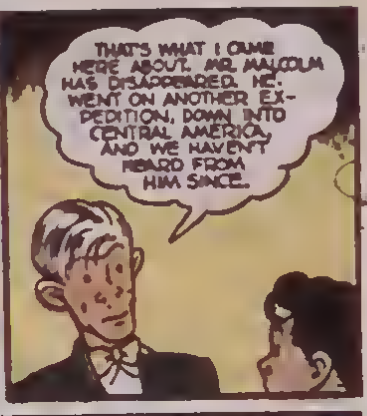
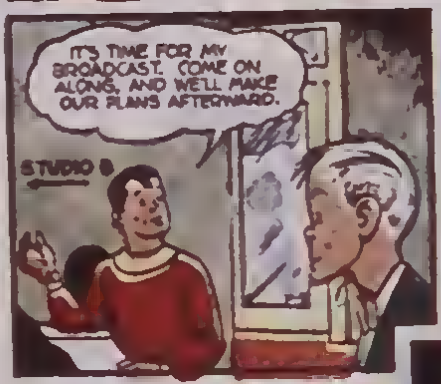
HELLO, BILLY. REMEMBER ME?
WHITEY! WHY SURE, WE WERE ON THE MALCOLM EXPEDITION TOGETHER THE TIME WE MADE THAT MOVIE ABOUT CAPT. MARVEL. HOW IS MR. MALCOLM THESE DAYS?


THAT'S WHAT I CAME HERE ABOUT. MR. MALCOLM HAS DISAPPEARED. HE WENT ON ANOTHER EXPEDITION, DOWN INTO CENTRAL AMERICA, AND WE HAVEN'T HEARD FROM HIM SINCE.


IT'S TIME FOR MY BROADCAST. COME ON ALONG, AND WE'LL MAKE OUR PLANS AFTERWARD.
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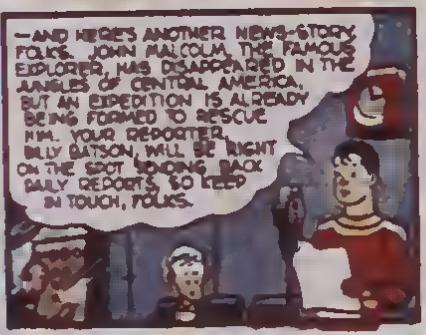
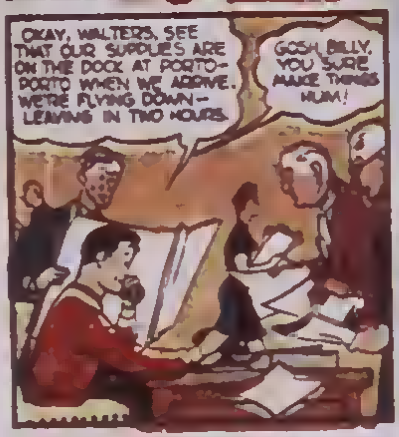
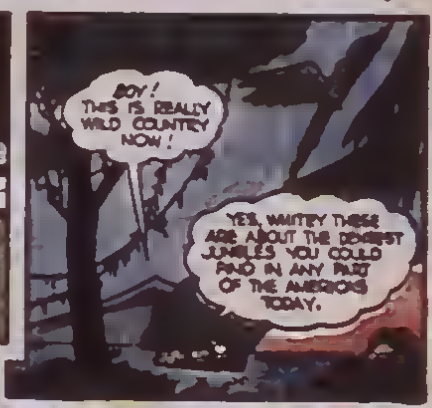

—AND HERE'S ANOTHER NEWS-STORY, FOLKS. JOHN MALCOLM, THE FAMOUS EXPLORER, HAS DISAPPEARED IN THE JUNGLES OF CENTRAL AMERICA. BUT AN EXPEDITION IS ALREADY BEING FORMED TO RESCUE HIM. YOUR REPORTER, BILLY BATSON, WILL BE RIGHT ON THE SPOT SENDING BACK DAILY REPORTS, SO KEEP IN TOUCH, FOLKS.


OKAY, WALTERS, SEE THAT OUR SUPPLIES ARE ON THE DOCK AT PORTO-PORTO WHEN WE ARRIVE. WE'RE FLYING DOWN—LEAVING IN TWO HOURS.
GOSH, BILLY, YOU SURE MAKE THINGS HUM!

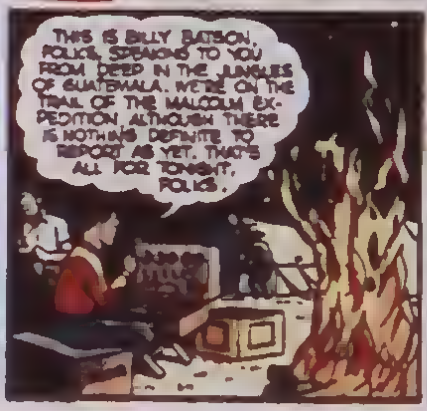
ALL ABOARD, WHITEY ME! STOP CENTRAL AMERICA! MR. MALCOLM, HERE WE COME!

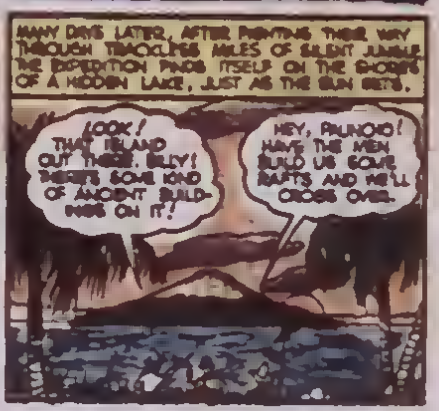
GOSH, BILLY, LOOK AT THAT JUNGLE DOWN THERE. HOW ARE WE EVER GOING TO LAND IN THAT?
WE CAN'T, WHITEY. THIS IS STILL MIGHTY PRIMITIVE COUNTRY, AND WE HAVE TO GO IN THE OLD PRIMITIVE WAY.


BOY! THIS IS REALLY WILD COUNTRY NOW!
YES, WHITEY THESE ARE ABOUT THE DENSEST JUNGLES YOU COULD FIND IN ANY PART OF THE AMERICAS TODAY.

WHAT DOES HE SAY, PALINOIO? HAS HE SEEN MALCOLM?
EE, HE SAY WHITE MAN IS GO THROUGH HERE BEFORE.

HOLY SMOKE, BILLY, LOOK AT THAT!
WE'RE GETTING INTO THE COUNTRY OF THE ANCIENT MAYAN INDIANS.

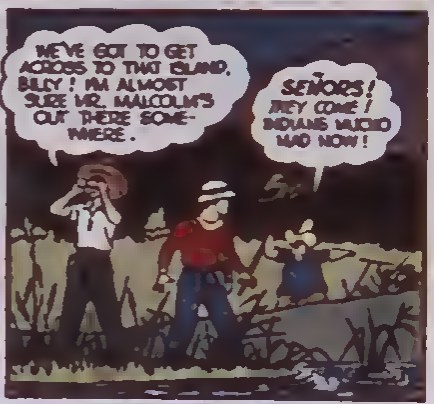

THIS IS BILLY BATSON, POLICE, SPEAKING TO YOU FROM DEEP IN THE JUNGLES OF GUATEMALA. WE'RE ON THE TRAIL OF THE MALCOLM EXPEDITION ALTHOUGH THERE IS NOTHING DEFINITE TO REPORT AS YET. THAT'S ALL FOR TONIGHT, FOLKS.


MANY DAYS LATER, AFTER PENETRATING THEIR WAY THROUGH TRACKLESS MILES OF SILENT JUNGLE THE EXPEDITION FINDS ITSELF ON THE SHORES OF A HIDDEN LAKE, JUST AS THE SUN SETS.
LOOK! THAT ISLAND OUT THERE, BILLY! THERE'S SOME KIND OF ANCIENT BUILDINGS ON IT!
HEY, PALINOIO! HAVE THE MEN BUILD US SOME RAFTS AND WE'LL CROSS OVER.

SORRY, SEÑORITO, BUT MEN WEEL NOT GO TO ISLAND. THEY SAY EES HOUSE OF ITZALOTAHUL. ANCIENT GOD, VERREE BAD. NO GO.
NO GO! AWK!

LISTEN, BILLY! DRUMS! NATIVE DRUMS!
EES BAD, SEÑORS. INDIANS NEAR US COMING. DRUMS SAY WE GO BACK OR DIE!

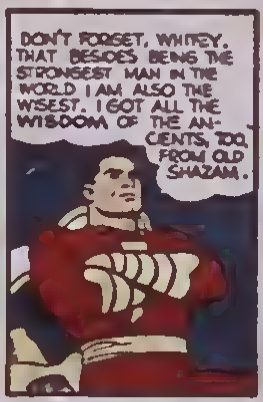
HEY, WHITEY! WAKE UP! OUR MEN ALL LEFT US DURING THE NIGHT! ONLY PALANCOBS LEFT!


WE'VE GOT TO GET ACROSS TO THAT ISLAND, BILLY! I'M ALMOST SURE MR. MALCOLM'S OUT THERE SOMEWHERE.
SEÑORS! THEY COME! INDIANS MUCHO MAD NOW!

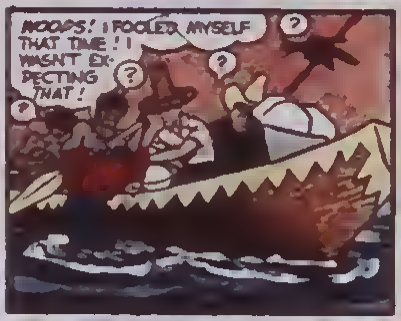
I GUESS IT'S TIME TO CALL ON CAPTAIN MARVEL. SHAZAM!

TLAXPAN!
TLAXPAN YOURSELVES, BOYS! PUNCH CHITZEN ITZA, CHICOZAPOTE YUM KAX. CHOMO!
CHITZEN TLUN!
CHOMO!
TLAXPAN!

THIS IS MORE LIKE IT, EH, WHITEY ?
CAPT. MARVEL. HOW DO YOU KNOW THEIR LANGUAGE ?


DON'T FORGET, WHITEY, THAT BESIDES BEING THE STRONGEST MAN IN THE WORLD I AM ALSO THE WISEST. I GOT ALL THE WISDOM OF THE ANCIENTS, TOO, FROM OLD SHAZAM.

AS CAPT. MARVEL UNINTENTIONALLY UTTERS THE NAME OF THE OLD MAGICIAN, LIGHTNING STRIKES AGAIN!
ZIP!


WOOPS! I FOOLED MYSELF THAT TIME! I WASN'T EXPECTING THAT!
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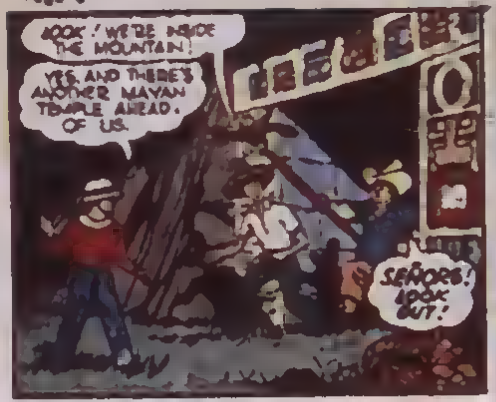
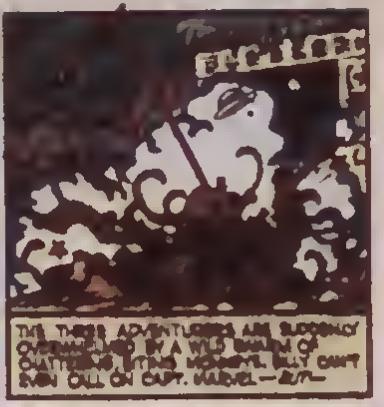
GEE, BILLY, I GUESS YOU'RE STILL HEAD MAN AROUND HERE ANYWAY.
YEH! THESE FELLOWS ARE STILL SCARED OF ME.

WELL, HERE WE ARE... I GUESS WE MIGHT AS WELL GO IN AND SEE IF WE CAN FIND ANY TRACE OF MR. MALCOM.

G-G-GOSH! IT - IT'S KIND OF CREEPY IN HERE!
COME ON, FELLOWS, THERE'S NOTHING TO BE AFRAID OF! I DON'T THINK ANYBODY'S BEEN IN HERE FOR A THOUSAND YEARS, UNLESS IT'S BEEN MR. MALCOLM.

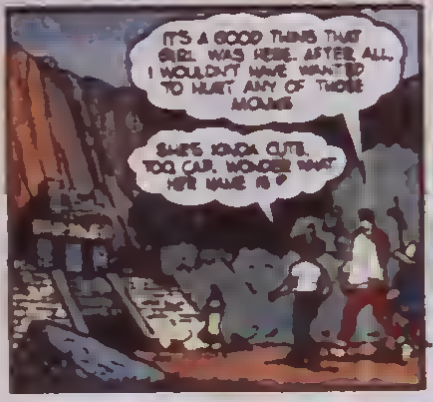

LOOK! WE'RE INSIDE THE MOUNTAIN!
YES, AND THERE'S ANOTHER MAYAN TEMPLE AHEAD OF US.
SEÑORS! LOOK OUT!

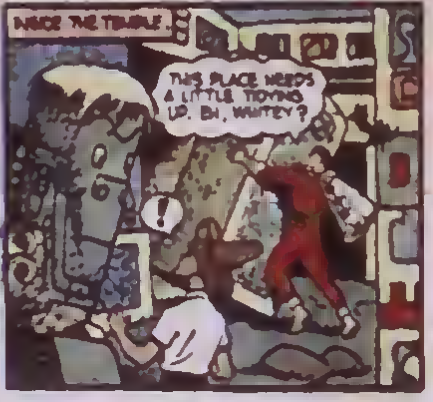

THE THREE ADVENTURERS ARE SUDDENLY OVERWHELMED BY A WILD BARRAGE OF CHATTERING TEETH. MOMENTS, BILLY CAN'T EVEN CALL ON CAPT. MARVEL—SUT—

SHAZAM!

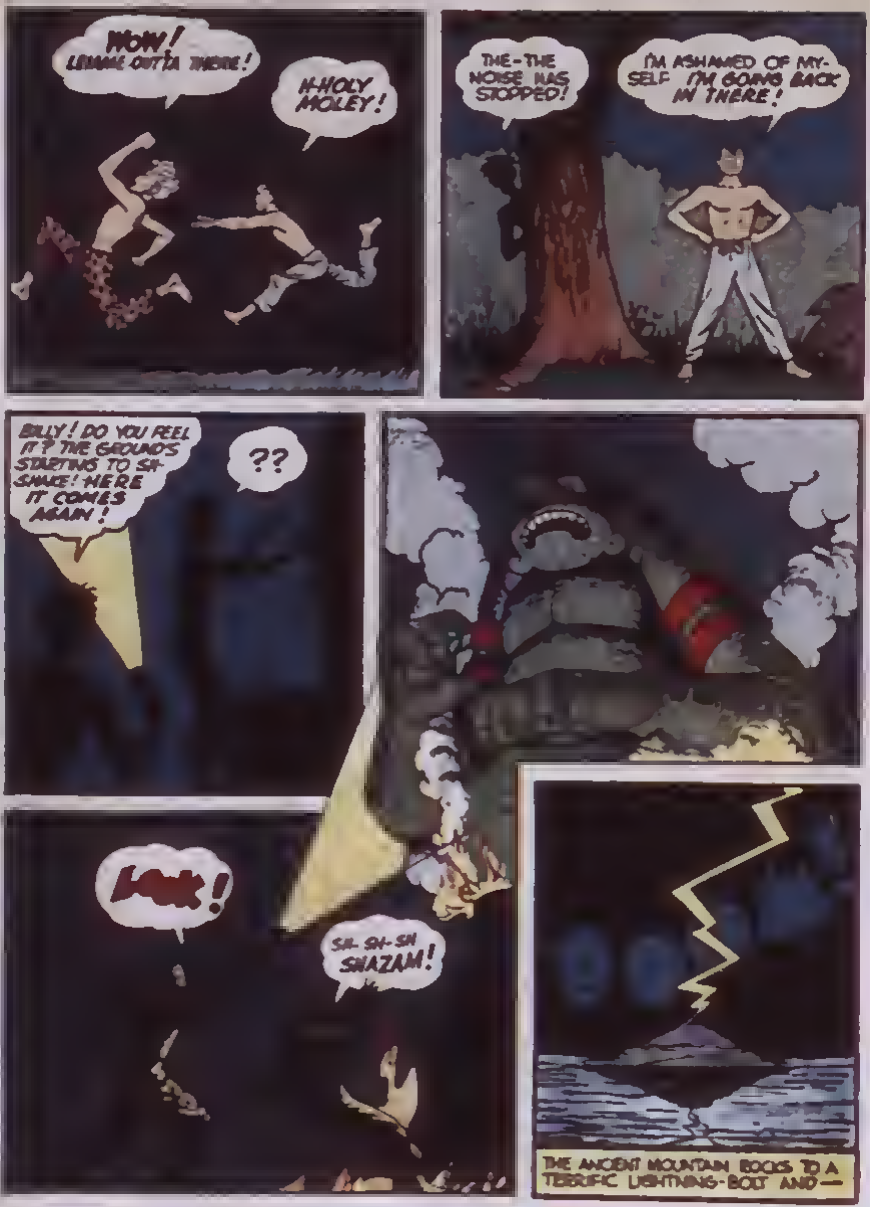
SCAT, YOU LITTLE BEASTS! LEAVE MY FRIENDS ALONE!
MOCCHICHTAN! NO!!

GEE WHIZ! LOOK AT THAT!
TEPEU! YUCAT QUETZAL


IT'S A GOOD THING THAT GIRL WAS HERE. AFTER ALL, I WOULDN'T HAVE WANTED TO HURT ANY OF THOSE MONKS
SHE'S KINDA CUTE, TOO, GAD. WONDER WHAT HER NAME IS?


INSIDE THE TEMPLE
THIS PLACE NEEDS A LITTLE TIDYING UP, EH, WHITEY?

I'D SIGN UP ANYWHERE SO FAR, BUT WE'LL GIVE THE PLACE A GOOD GOING OVER TOMORROW. RIGHT NOW WE'D BETTER PITCH CAMP AND GET READY FOR OUR BROADCAST. SAHARA!
ROW
NOW'S THIS, BILLY? HIGH ENOUGH?
OKAY. COME ON DOWN, AND WE'LL TURN ON THE JUICE.
COME ON OUT OF THE CRATER.
G-G-GOOD GOSH! WH-WH-WHAT'S THAT?
IT'S COMING FROM THE TOWER! COME ON, WHITEY, LET'S GO AND CUT...
...OAR-RRR
NO! NO! IT'S A-LOTAURUS! PUTTI! IT'S A LOTAURUS!
WH-WHATEVER SHE'S SAYING, I'D SECOND THE M-MOTION!
COME ON WHITEY! WE'VE GOT TO SEE WHAT THIS IS ALL ABOUT!
BRRRR
YOW!
WOW!


WOW! LEMME OUTTA THERE!
H-HOLY MOLEY!
THE-THE NOISE HAS STOPPED!
I'M ASHAMED OF MYSELF! I'M GOING BACK IN THERE!
BILLY! DO YOU FEEL IT? THE GROUND'S STARTING TO SHAKE! HERE IT COMES AGAIN!
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HUK!
SH-SH-SH SHAZAM!
THE ANCIENT MOUNTAIN ROCKS TO A TERRIFIC LIGHTNING-BOLT AND—

STRAIGHT AT THE MONSTROUS MONKEY-GOD, ITZALOTAHUL, FLIES THE MIGHTIEST MAN EVER BORN ON EARTH!
R.R.R.
BUT THE HUGE CREATURE CATCHES IBN UBANADES AND SENDS HIM SPRAWLING! WAS CAPT. MARVEL MET HIS MASTER AT LAST?
TOUGH MONKEY, EH? MAYBE THIS'LL SOFTEN YOU UP!
THE WHOLE ISLAND ROCKS AND TREMBLES AS THE MIGHTIEST MAN IN THE UNIVERSE CLASHES WITH THE ANCIENT GOD OF MAYANS IN A TITANIC DEATH-STRUGGLE!
YEEEEOW-L
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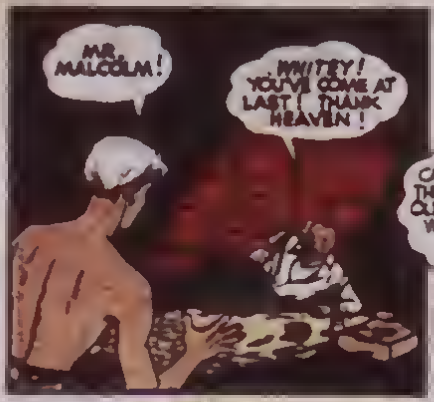
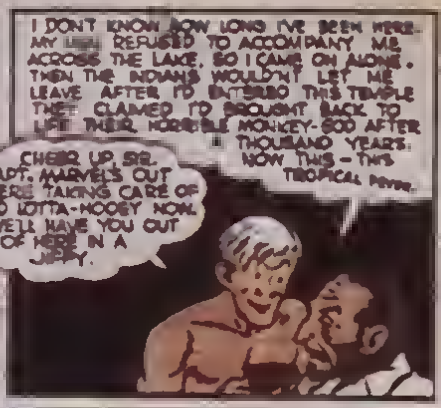
HOW WHAT?

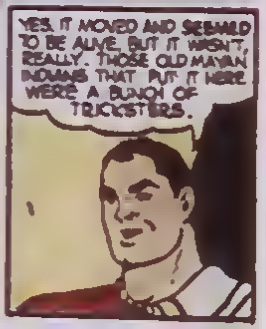

MR. MALCOLM!
WHITEY! YOU'VE COME AT LAST! THANK HEAVEN!


I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG I'VE BEEN HERE. MY [illegible] REFUSED TO ACCOMPANY ME ACROSS THE LAKE, SO I CAME ON ALONE. THEN THE INDIANS WOULDN'T LET ME LEAVE AFTER I'D ENTERED THIS TEMPLE THEY CLAIMED I'D BROUGHT BACK TO LIFE THEIR HORRIBLE MONKEY-GOD AFTER THOUSAND YEARS. NOW THIS - THIS TROPICAL FEVER.
CHEER UP SIR. CAPT. MARVEL'S OUT THERE TAKING CARE OF OLD IOTTA-MOOBY NOW. WE'LL HAVE YOU OUT OF HERE IN A JIFFY.

HERE COMES CAPTAIN MARVEL NOW!

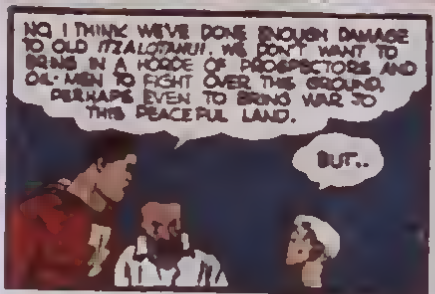
HI, MEN! LOOK WHAT I'VE GOT HERE.

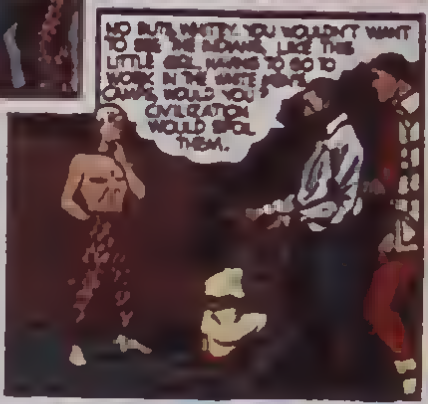
SO THAT'S ALL THE DREADED MONKEY GOD WAS! A STONE IDOL!
BUT IT WAS ALIVE! IT MOVED!

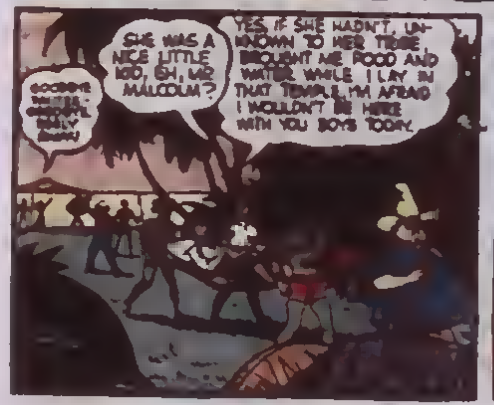

YES, IT MOVED AND SEEMED TO BE ALIVE, BUT IT WASN'T, REALLY. THOSE OLD MAYAN INDIANS THAT PUT IT HERE WERE A BUNCH OF TRICKSTERS.

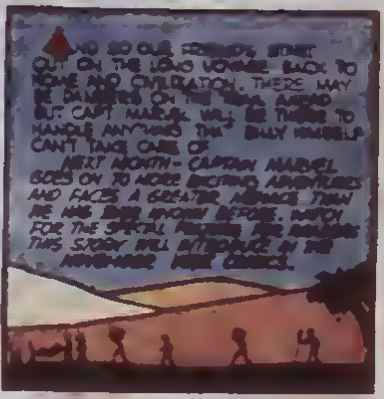
SEE? THE GAS-FLARES ESCAPING AROUND HIS WAIST MAKE HIM MOVE ABOUT AS THOUGH ALIVE.
MATUBAL GAS! THIS WHOLE MOUNTAIN IS FULL OF GAS-MAYBE EVEN OIL!

OIL! THEN WE'LL ALL BE RICH! MILLIONAIRES, ALMOST!

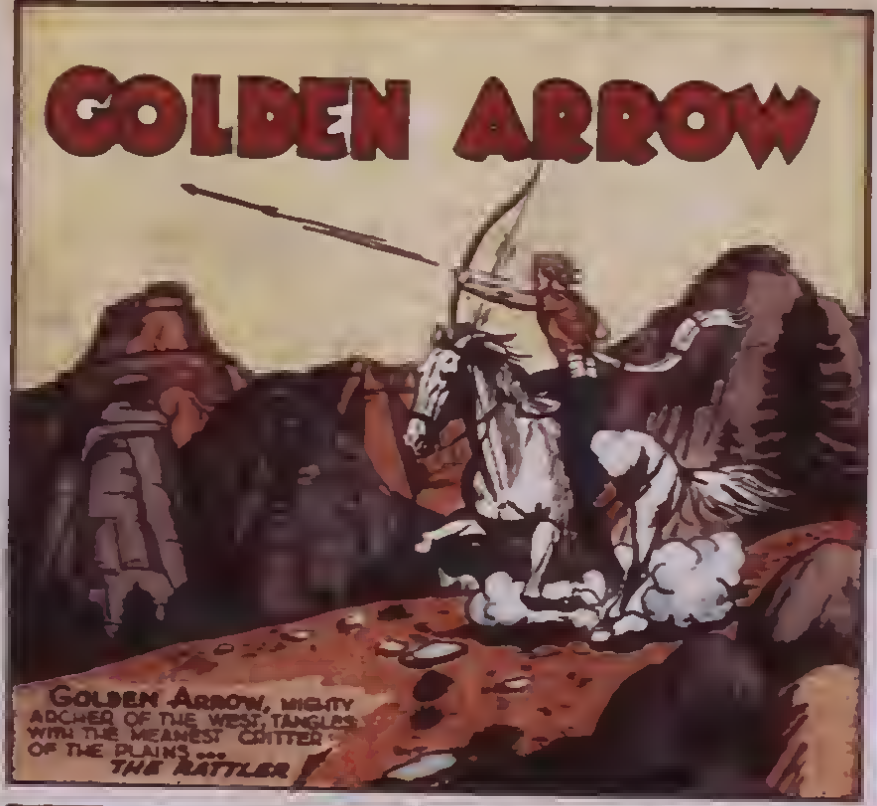

NO, I THINK WE'VE DONE ENOUGH DAMAGE TO OLD ITZALOTANUH. WE DON'T WANT TO BRING IN A HORDE OF PROSPECTORS AND OIL-MEN TO FIGHT OVER THIS GROUND, PERHAPS EVEN TO BRING WAR TO THIS PEACEFUL LAND.
BUT..


NO BUT, WHITEY, YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO SEE ME ADVANCE LIKE THIS LITTLE GIRL HAVING TO GO TO WORK IN THE WHITE MAN'S CAMPS, WOULD YOU? CIVILIZATION WOULD SPOIL THEM.


GOODBYE MARVEL-CAPTAIN MARVEL-BILLY-SHAZAM!
SHE WAS A NICE LITTLE KID, EH, MR. MALCOLM?
YES, IF SHE HADN'T, UNKNOWN TO HER, TRIED BROUGHT ME FOOD AND WATER WHILE I LAY IN THAT TEMPLE. I'M AFRAID I WOULDN'T BE HERE WITH YOU BOYS TODAY.


AND SO OUR FRIENDS START OUT ON THE LONG VOYAGE BACK TO HOME AND CIVILIZATION. THERE MAY BE DANGERS ON THE TRAIL AHEAD BUT CAPT. MARVEL WILL BE THERE TO HANDLE ANYTHING THAT BILLY HIMSELF CAN'T TAKE CARE OF.
NEXT MONTH - CAPTAIN MARVEL GOES ON TO MORE EXCITING ADVENTURES AND FACES A GREATER MENACE THAN HE HAS EVER KNOWN BEFORE. WATCH FOR THE SPECIAL PREVIEW THAT WILL APPEAR IN THE ADVENTURES OF MARVEL COMICS.

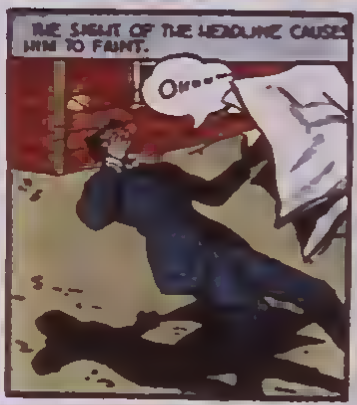
GOLDEN ARROW



BOOM

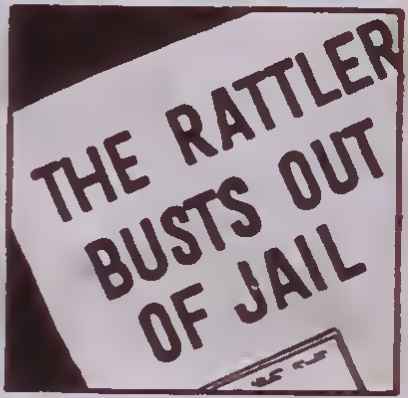
HEDE BOY, GIVE ME A PAPER.
COURT
NEXT MORNING

LET'S SEE WHAT'S NEW


THE SIGHT OF THE HEROLINE CAUSES HIM TO FAINT.
OH---

LOOK, GOLDEN ARROW - THAT MAN MUST HAVE BEEN HURT
GOLDEN ARROW AND HIS FRIEND, CAROL BRADDOCK SEE THE MAN LYING IN THE STREET.

HE'S NOT WOUNDED— HE SEEMS TO HAVE FAINTED AND NO WONDER - LOOK AT THIS PAPER.


THE RATTLER BUSTS OUT OF JAIL

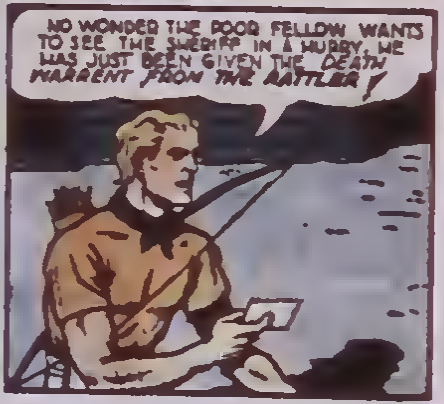
THE RATTLER!

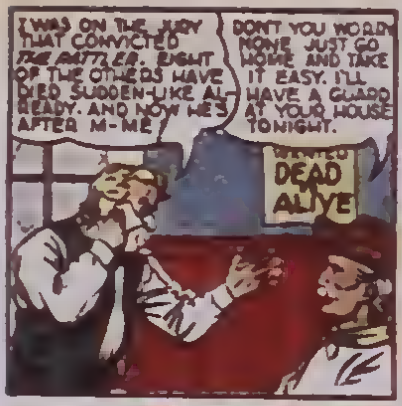
YES, THE RATTLER - MOST DANGEROUS KILLER THE WEST WAS EVER KNOWN.

GANGWAY - GOTTA GET TO THE SHERIFF!

HEY! YOU DROPPED SOMETHING.

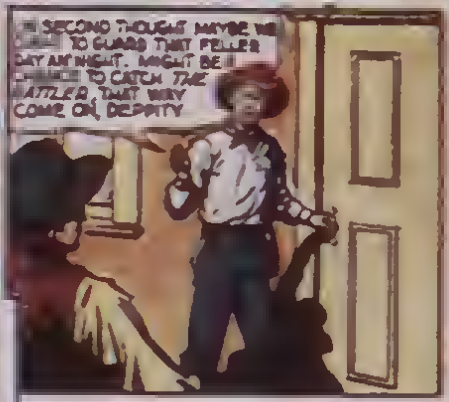
WHAT GOLDEN ARROW PICKED UP.


NO WONDER THE POOR FELLOW WANTS TO SEE THE SHERIFF IN A HURRY, HE HAS JUST BEEN GIVEN THE DEATH WARRANT FROM THE RATTLER!

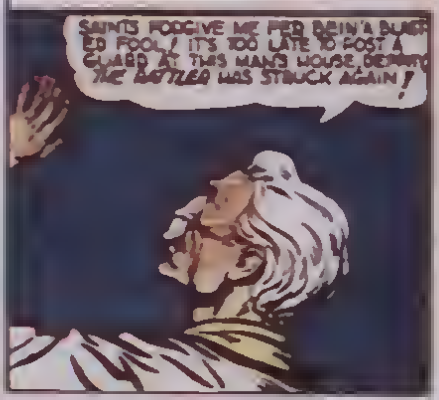

I WAS ON THE JURY THAT CONVICTED THE RATTLER. EIGHT OF THE OTHERS HAVE DIED SUDDEN-LIKE ALREADY. AND NOW HE'S AFTER M-ME
DON'T YOU WORRY NONE JUST GO HOME AND TAKE IT EASY. I'LL HAVE A GUARD AT YOUR HOUSE TONIGHT.
WANTED DEAD ALIVE

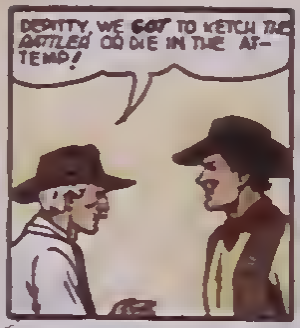
I SURE HOPE THE SH— OH!

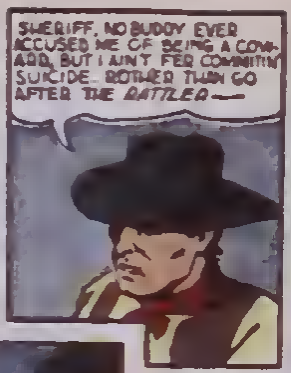
GLURG!

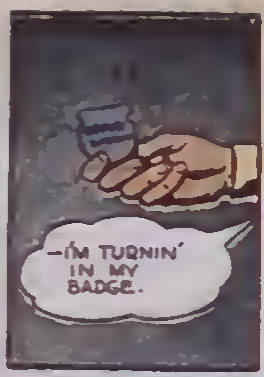

SECOND THOUGHT MAYBE WE TO GUARD THAT FELLER DAY AN' NIGHT. MIGHT BE TO CATCH THE RATTLER, THAT WAY COME ON, DEPUTY

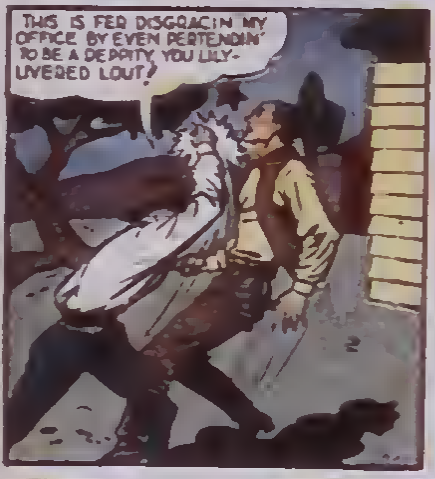
OUCH— WHAT THE?

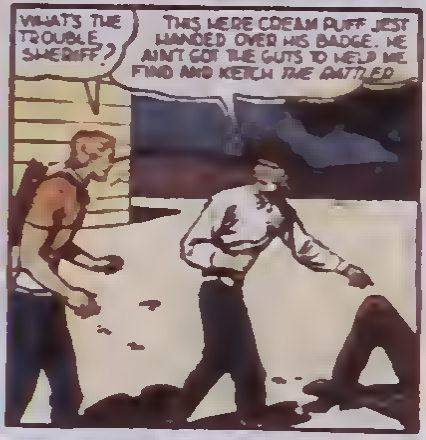

SAINTS FORGIVE ME FER BEIN'A BLIND ED FOOL! IT'S TOO LATE TO POST A GUARD AT THIS MAN'S HOUSE, DEPUTY THE RATTLER WAS STRUCK AGAIN!


DEPUTY, WE GOT TO KETCH THE RATTLER OR DIE IN THE ATTEMP!

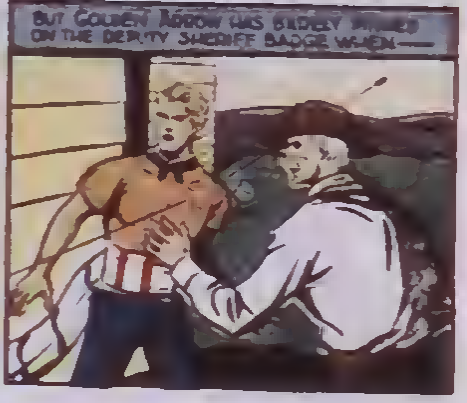

SHERIFF, NO BUDDY EVER ACCUSED ME OF BEING A COWARD, BUT I AIN'T FER COMMITTIN' SUICIDE. RATHER THAN GO AFTER THE RATTLER—

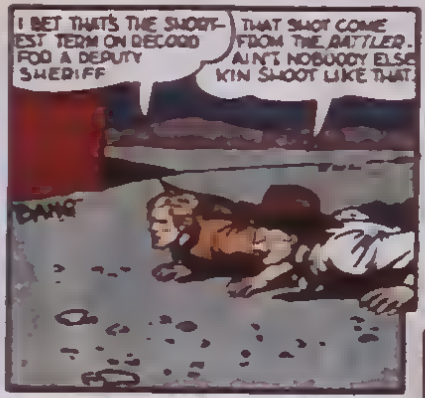

—I'M TURNIN' IN MY BADGE.

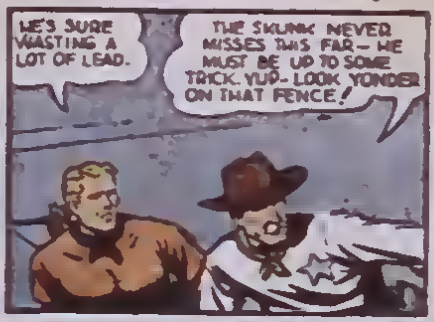

THIS IS FER DISGRACIN MY OFFICE BY EVEN PERTENDIN' TO BE A DEPUTY, YOU LILY-LIVERED LOUT!


WHAT'S THE TROUBLE, SHERIFF?
THIS HERE CREAM PUFF JEST HANDED OVER HIS BADGE. HE AIN'T GOT THE GUTS TO HELP ME FIND AND KETCH THE RATTLER

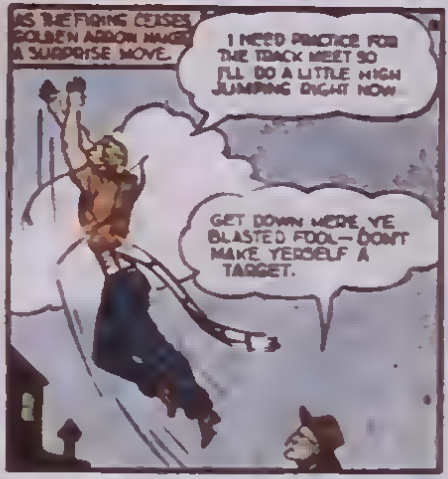
IF YOU'LL SWEAR ME IN, SHERIFF, I'LL HELP YOU CATCH THE RATTLER

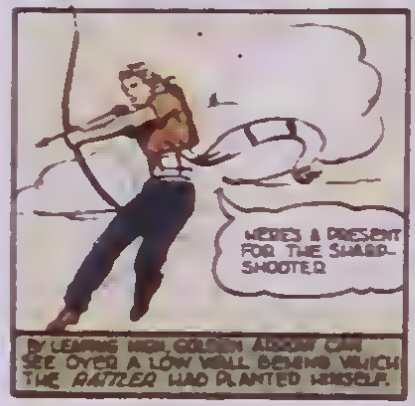

BUT GOLDEN ARROW HAS BARELY PINNED ON THE DEPUTY SHERIFF BADGE WHEN—


I BET THAT'S THE SHORTEST TERM ON RECORD FOR A DEPUTY SHERIFF
THAT SHOT COME FROM THE RATTLER. AIN'T NOBUDDY ELSE KIN SHOOT LIKE THAT.
BANG


HE'S SURE WASTING A LOT OF LEAD.
THE SKUNK NEVER MISSES THIS FAR— HE MUST BE UP TO SOME TRICK. YUP— LOOK YONDER ON THAT FENCE!

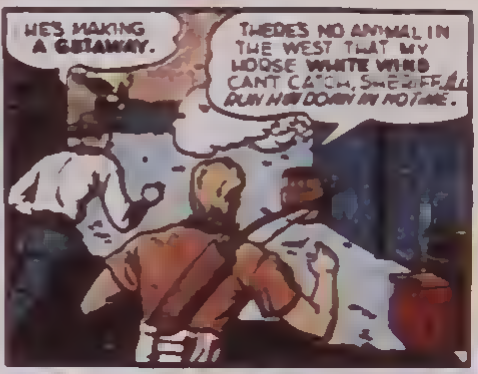
BULLETS BURYING THEY SELVES IN THE WOODEN FENCE MAKE AN UNEVEN MARBLE PATTERN— IT'S A DEATH WARRANT FROM THE RATTLER

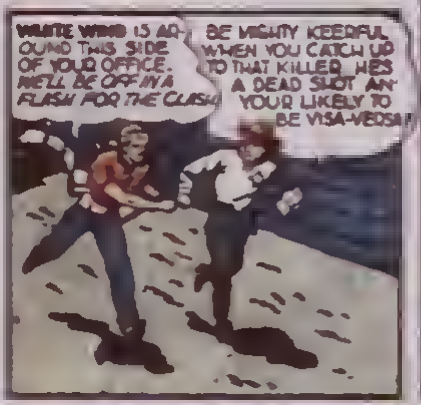

AS THE FIRING CEASES, GOLDEN ARROW MAKES A SURPRISE MOVE.
I NEED PRACTICE FOR THE TRACK MEET SO I'LL DO A LITTLE HIGH JUMPING RIGHT NOW
GET DOWN HERE, YE BLASTED FOOL— DON'T MAKE YERSELF A TARGET.

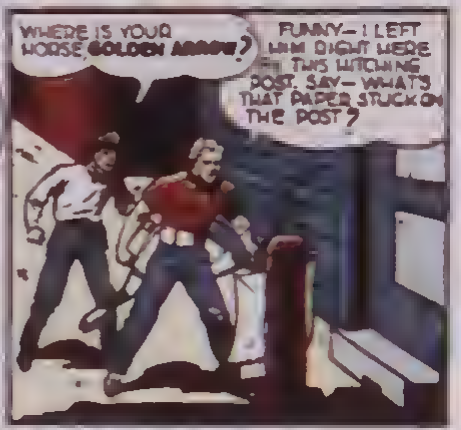

HERE'S A PRESENT FOR THE SHARP-SHOOTER
BY LEAPING HIGH, GOLDEN ARROW CAN SEE OVER A LOW WALL BEHIND WHICH THE RATTLER HAD PLANTED HERSELF.

AND THE ARROW FINDS ITS MARK BEFORE THE RATTLER HAS A CHANCE TO SHOOT.

COME ON SHERIFF, I'VE RAMMED HIS SIX GUN. LET'S CATCH HIM!

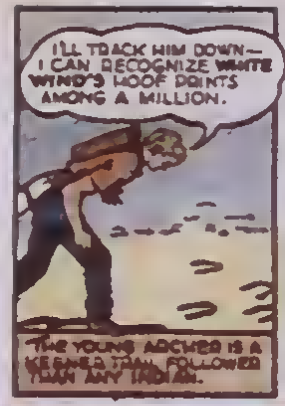

HE'S MAKING A GETAWAY.
THERE'S NO ANIMAL IN THE WEST THAT MY HORSE WHITE WIND CAN'T CATCH, SHERIFF. I'LL RUN HIM DOWN IN NO TIME.

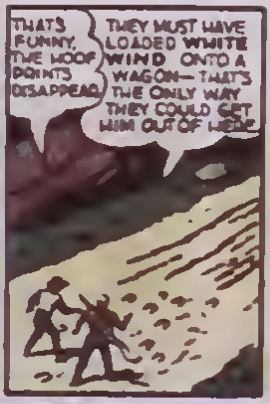

WHITE WIND IS AROUND THIS SIDE OF YOUR OFFICE. WELL BE OFF IN A FLASH FOR THE CLUSH
BE MIGHTY KEERFUL WHEN YOU CATCH UP TO THAT KILLER. HE'S A DEAD SHOT ANY YOUR LIKELY TO BE VISA-VEDSA!

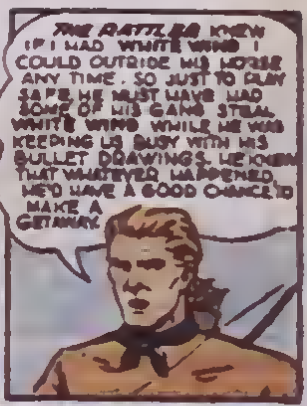

WHERE IS YOUR HORSE GOLDEN ARROW?
FUNNY—I LEFT HIM RIGHT HERE THIS HITCHING POST. SAY—WHAT'S THAT PAPER STUCK ON THE POST?

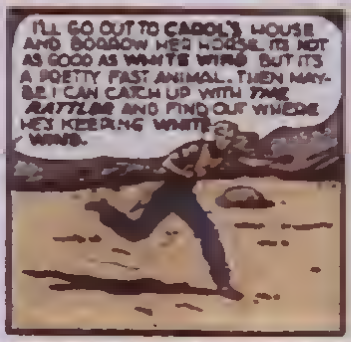
$5000 REWARD
THE
~~RATTLER~~
White Wind
DEAD OR ALIVE

THE RATTLER HAS STOLEN WHITE WIND!

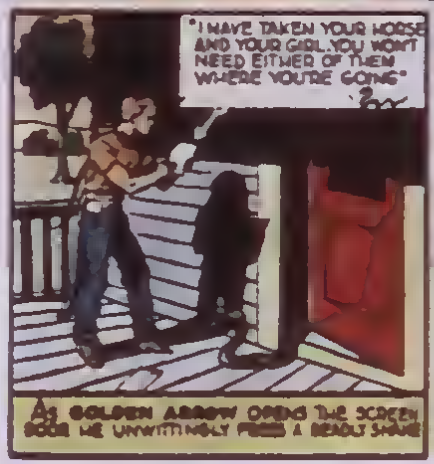

I'LL TRACK HIM DOWN— I CAN RECOGNIZE WHITE WIND'S HOOF PRINTS AMONG A MILLION.
THE YOUNG ARCHER IS A KEEN-EYED TRAIL FOLLOWER THAN ANY INDIAN.

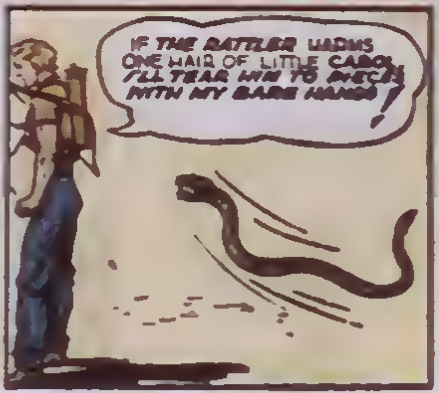

THAT'S FUNNY, THE HOOF PRINTS DISAPPEAR.
THEY MUST HAVE LOADED WHITE WIND ONTO A WAGON— THAT'S THE ONLY WAY THEY COULD GET HIM OUT OF HERE!


THE RATTLER KNEW IF I HAD WHITE WIND I COULD OUTRIDE HIS HORSE ANY TIME. SO JUST TO PLAY SAFE, HE MUST HAVE HAD SOME OF HIS GANG STEAL WHITE WIND WHILE HE WAS KEEPING US BUSY WITH HIS BULLET DRAWINGS. HE KNEW THAT WHATEVER HAPPENED, HE'D HAVE A GOOD CHANCE TO MAKE A GETAWAY.

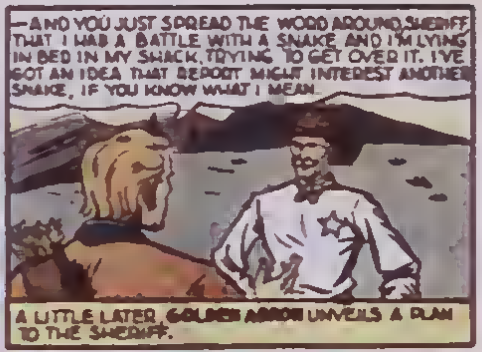

I'LL GO OUT TO CAROL'S HOUSE AND BORROW HER HORSE. ITS NOT AS GOOD AS WHITE WIND BUT IT'S A PRETTY FAST ANIMAL. THEN MAYBE I CAN CATCH UP WITH THE RATTLER AND FIND OUT WHERE HE'S KEEPING WHITE WIND.

NOBODY SEEMS TO BE HOME BUT APPARENTLY CAROL HAS LEFT ME A NOTE.
To The Golden Arrow


"I HAVE TAKEN YOUR HORSE AND YOUR GIRL. YOU WON'T NEED EITHER OF THEM WHERE YOU'RE GOING"
AS GOLDEN ARROW OPENS THE SCREEN DOOR HE UNWITTINGLY FREES A DEADLY SNAKE


IF THE RATTLER HARMS ONE HAIR OF LITTLE CAROL I'LL TEAR HIM TO SHREDS WITH MY BARE HANDS!

IN THE NICK OF TIME THE YOUNG ARCHER DEFENDS HIMSELF.

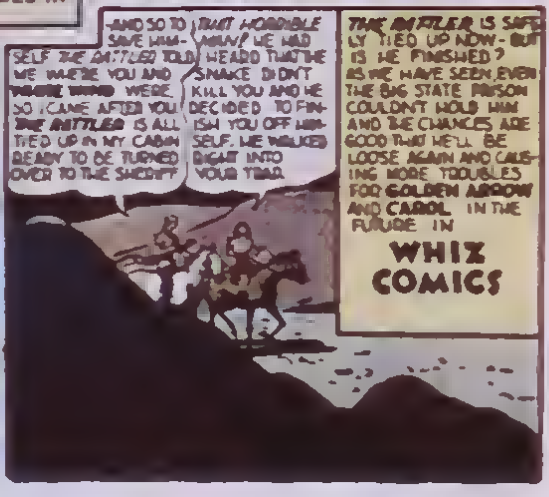

—AND YOU JUST SPREAD THE WORD AROUND, SHERIFF, THAT I HAD A BATTLE WITH A SNAKE, AND I'M LYING IN BED IN MY SHACK, TRYING TO GET OVER IT. I'VE GOT AN IDEA THAT REPORT MIGHT INTEREST ANOTHER SNAKE, IF YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN.

A LITTLE LATER, GOLDEN ARROW UNVEILS A PLAN TO THE SHERIFF.

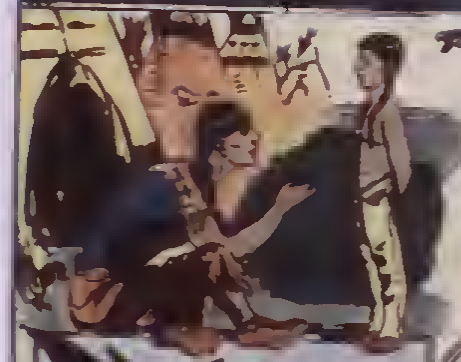
THAT NIGHT AS GOLDEN ARROW LIES IN BED IN HIS LONELY CABIN

I THOUGH YOU'D COME TO CALL, MR. BATTLER. AND NOW WILL YOU TELL ME WHERE YOU'RE KEEPING CAROL AND WHITE WIND OR WILL I BREAK YOU INTO LITTLE PIECES?

GOLDEN ARROW QUITS PLAYING POSUM


—AND SO TO SAVE HIMSELF THE BATTLER TOLD ME WHERE YOU AND WHITE WIND WERE. SO I CAME AFTER YOU. THE BATTLER IS ALL TIED UP IN MY CABIN READY TO BE TURNED OVER TO THE SHERIFF!
THAT HORRIBLE LIAR! WE HAD HEARD THAT THE SNAKE DIDN'T KILL YOU AND HE DECIDED TO FINISH YOU OFF HIMSELF. WE WALKED RIGHT INTO YOUR TRAP.
THE BATTLER IS SAFELY TIED UP NOW—BUT IS HE FINISHED? AS WE HAVE SEEN, EVEN THE BIG STATE PRISON COULDN'T HOLD HIM AND THE CHANCES ARE GOOD THAT HE'LL BE LOOSE AGAIN AND CAUSING MORE TROUBLES FOR GOLDEN ARROW AND CAROL IN THE FUTURE IN
WHIZ COMICS

STRANGE TRUE



The OJIBWAY INDIAN

CONTINUOUSLY LECTURED HER SON NEVER TO GIVE HIS RIGHT NAME! TO DO SO, SHE SAID, WOULD MOST CERTAINLY STUNT HIS GROWTH AND CAUSE HIM UNTOLD MISERY FOR THE REST OF HIS LIFE!

The LONGEST FLIGHTS

ON RECORD FOR THE BIRD WORLD ARE MADE BY THAT CHAMPION MIGRANT, THE ARCTIC TERN—WHO CAN TRAVEL 9,000 MILES IN LESS THAN 90 DAYS!

OTTERS

ARE THOUGHT TO HAVE THE POWER OF SCENTING FISH UNDERWATER, AND HAVE BEEN TRAINED SINCE THE MIDDLE AGES TO DRIVE FISH INTO NETS! EVEN TO THIS DAY, HINDOO FISHERMEN KEEP TAME OTTERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF HERDING FISH!

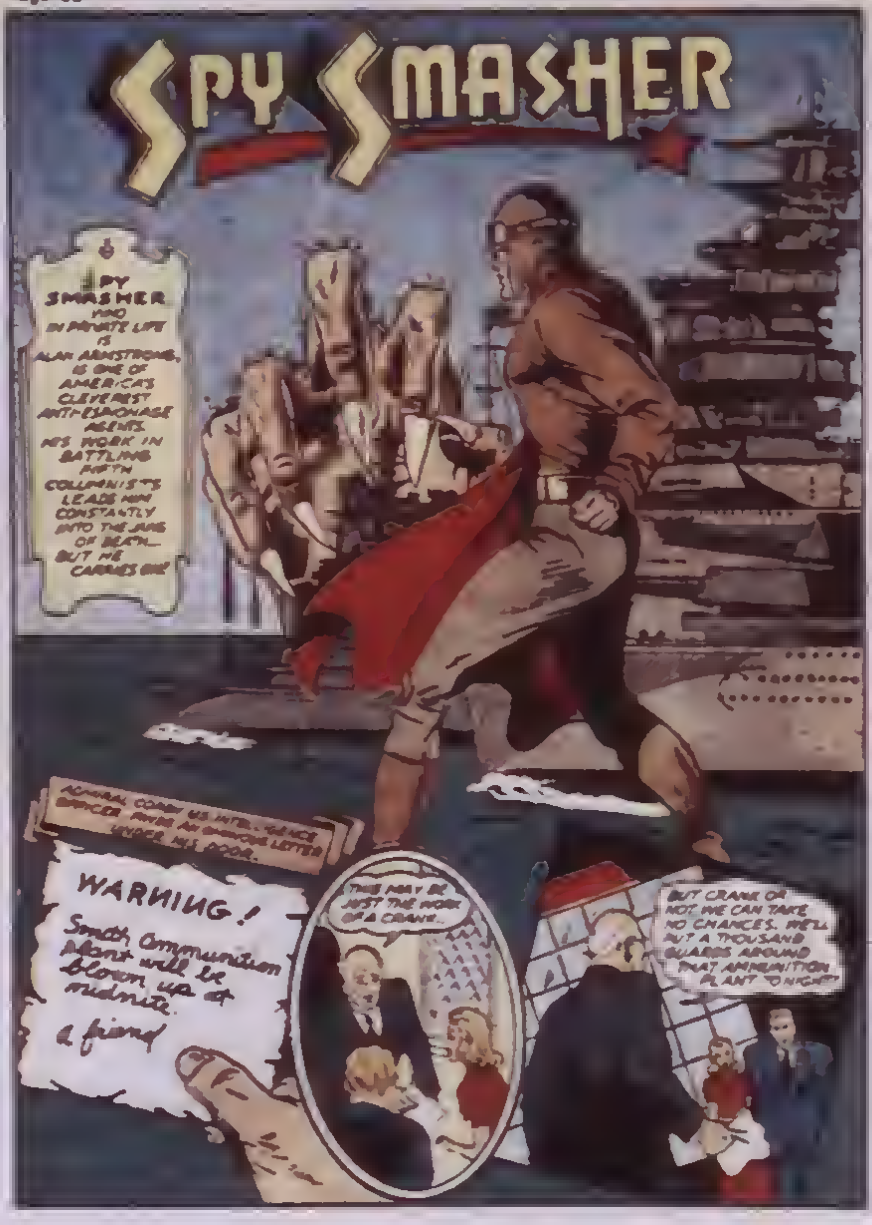
MILLY WONDER

HOW MANY SUBSTANCES IN A GLASS OF MILK?

ANS. THERE ARE NO KNOWN SUBSTANCES

SECURITY AND PROTECTION ASSURED BUT ACTIVITY SACRIFICED

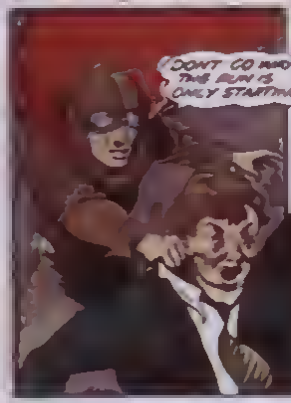
BY HIS CUMBERSOME SHELL, THE TURTLE HAS SURVIVED AND REMAINED UNCHANGED FOR 215,000,000 YEARS!


SPY SMASHER
SPY SMASHER WHO IN PRIVATE LIFE IS ALAN ARMSTRONG, IS ONE OF AMERICA'S CLEVEREST ANTI-ESPIONAGE AGENTS. HIS WORK IN BATTLING FIFTH COLUMNISTS LEADS HIM CONSTANTLY INTO THE JAWS OF DEATH... BUT HE CARRIES ON!
ADMIRAL CONROY HAS INTELLIGENCE OFFICER FIND AN ANONYMOUS LETTER UNDER HIS DOOR.
WARNING!
South Ammunition plant will be blown up at midnite.
a friend
THIS MAY BE JUST THE WORK OF A CRANK...
BUT CRANK OR NOT, WE CAN TAKE NO CHANCES. WE'LL PUT A THOUSAND GUARDS AROUND THAT AMMUNITION PLANT TONIGHT!

OUTSIDE THE MUNITIONS PLANT, TWO HUNDRED MILES ALWAYS
OF SOLDIERS MARINES AND CITY FOLKS AROUND THE PLANT NOBODY CAN GET NEAR IT!
EXCELLENT
DON'T LOOK LIKE ANYBODY COULD GET NEAR THIS PLACE BUT WE GOT OUT ALL THE FIRE APPARATUS JUST IN CASE
FINE!
PROMPTLY AT MIDNIGHT
BLOOIE
HA HA! WELL WE SURE MADE MINCE MEAT OF THAT PLANT!
BUT I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHO TURNED THEM OFF THAT WAS NEVER GOING TO DO IT— THEY WAS GUARDS ALL AROUND THE PLACE
YOU WONDER WHO TURNED THEM OFF SO WELL I DID SENT THEM A WIRING NOTE MYSELF HA HA
THAT ENDED A GLOOM OF THE BLITZES — ANTI-AMERICAN LABORERS AND GLOATS OVER THE MUNITIONS PLANT BLAST SO HE FLIES AWAY IN HIS GIANT "WHIZBOW PLANE"
AND NOW THE SENSATIONAL ADMIRAL COREY ANOTHER SCOOP — TELLING HOW WHIZBOW HE DROVE TO BLOW UP HITS BIGGEST PLANE FACTORY! IT WILL DRIVE HIM MAD— TO KNOW ITS COMING TO HAPPEN AND NOT BE ABLE TO STOP IT!
A SHORT TIME LATER AT THE BLITZES HEADQUARTERS . . .
THIS IS COREY'S OFFICE ALL RIGHT — HE'S OUR LEADER IS A FIEND!

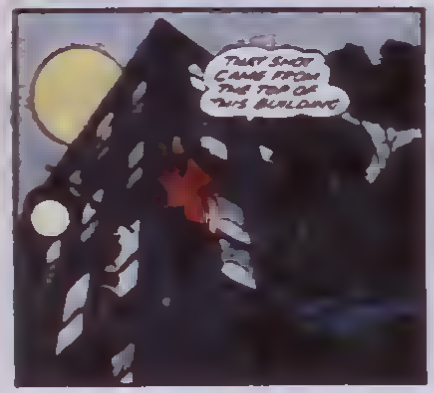
ULP!

YOU'RE TOO BIG A BOY TO BE PLAYING WITH CAP PISTOLS
BANG!


DON'T GO WAY THE RUN IS ONLY STARTING!

NOW TELL ME WHO SENT YOU HERE WITH THIS NOTE --- AND WHERE IS HE
I'LL TELL! I'LL TELL! I'LL TELL! DON'T CHOKE ME AND I'LL TELL!

KURT BLAND SENT ME HERE AND HIS HIDEOUT IS IN --- -OOOOO---
A SHOT FROM OUT OF THE DARKNESS PIERCES ITS HEART

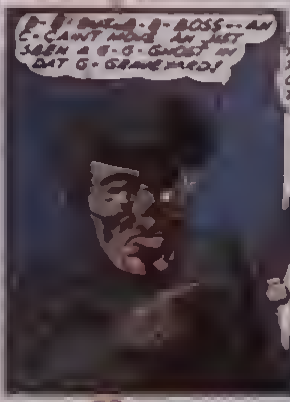

THAT SHOT CAME FROM THE TOP OF THIS BUILDING

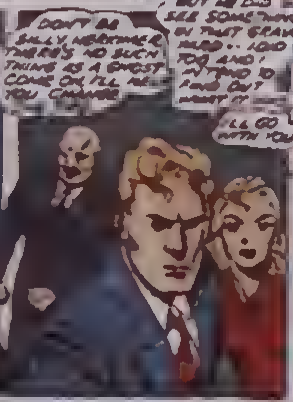
A NOTE ADDRESSED TO ME!

HMMM! SPY SMASHER — I COULDN'T WAIT FOR YOU BUT I HAVE LITTLE TIME FOR SOCIAL ENGAGEMENTS NOW THAT MY BUSINESS IS BOMBING-SYCHE
YOU MAY BE AHEAD AT THE END OF THE SECOND INNING MR. KURT BLIND. BUT REMEMBER, THE GAME'S NOT OVER TILL THE LAST BLITZY IS OUT
WELL THIS NOTE ISN'T FOR ME SO I'LL PUT IT BACK WHERE I FOUND IT
I GOT ANOTHER NOTE UNDER MY DOOR THIS MORNING THIS TIME THE THREAT IS TO BLOW UP THE BIGGEST PLANE FACTORY IN THE COUNTRY WE'VE GOT TO PREVENT IT!
IT'S JUST BEGINNING TO GET DARK. WE'LL BE ABLE TO DRIVE OUT TO THE PLANE FACTORY BEFORE MIDNIGHT A DOUBLE GUARD HAS BEEN ON DUTY ALL DAY AND IT WILL BE TRIPLED BY NIGHTFALL. I DON'T SEE HOW ANYBODY CAN SLIP THROUGH THIS TIME
COULDN'T SOMEBODY COME OVER IN A PLANE AND BOMB THE PLACE
OF COURSE NOT — WE'D HEAR A PLANE A MILE AWAY AND BLAST IT DOWN WITH ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS
BUT CORBY DOESN'T KNOW THAT THE BLITZY'S HAVE DISCOVERED THE MOST SINISTER WEAPON OF MODERN WARFARE — A PROPELLERLESS PLANE THAT FLAPS ITS WINGS LIKE A BIRD — AND IS JUST AS SILENT

AS CHARLIE HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE LUCKY ONE!

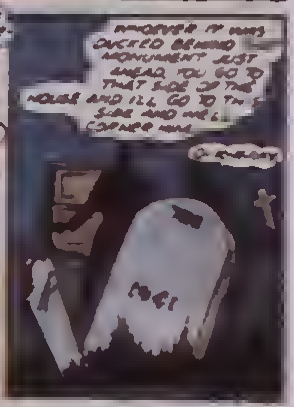
WELL, NEVERMIND DON'T JUST SIT THERE -- HOP TO IT A MINUTE-GET OUT AND CHANGE THAT TIRE


G-G-GOOD-G-BOSS -- AN G-CAN'T MOVE AN' JUST SAW A G-G-GHOST IN DAT G-GRAVE YARD!

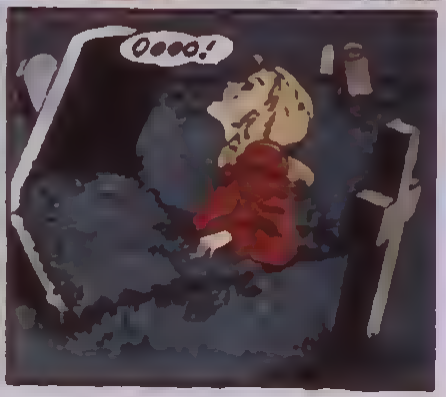

DON'T BE SILLY, NEVERMIND THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS A GHOST COME ON I'LL HELP YOU CHANGE

BUT WE DID SEE SOMETHING IN THAT GRAVE YARD -- LOOK TOO AND I'M GOING TO FIND OUT WHAT IT

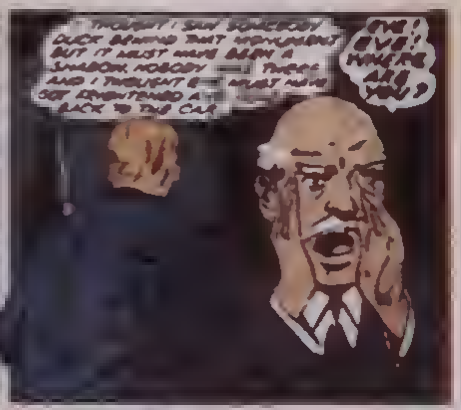
I'LL GO WITH YOU


WHATEVER IT WAS DUCKED BEHIND MONUMENT JUST AHEAD. YOU GO TO THAT SIDE OF THE HOUSE AND I'LL GO TO THE SIDE AND WE'LL CORNER HIM!
R.I.P.

OOOO-I THINK I...


OOOO!

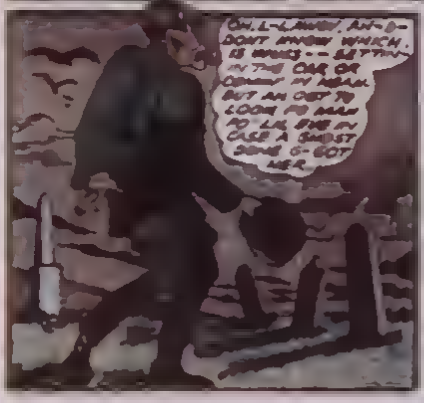
THE TIDE'S CHANGED SO LETS GET GOING. THIS PLACE GIVES ME THE CREEPS! WHERE'S EVE?
WHERE'S EVE? WHY I THOUGHT SHE WENT RIGHT BACK TO THE CAR WITH YOU!


I THOUGHT I SAW SOMEBODY DUCK BEHIND THAT HIGHBUSH! BUT IT MUST HAVE BEEN A SHADOW. NOBODY — THERE! AND I THOUGHT E— MUST HAVE GOT STRAIGHTENED AND BACK TO THE CAR
EVE! EVE! WHERE ARE YOU?

EVE! COME ON EVE THIS IS NO TIME FOR WASTING SPEED! WE'VE GOT TO HURRY!

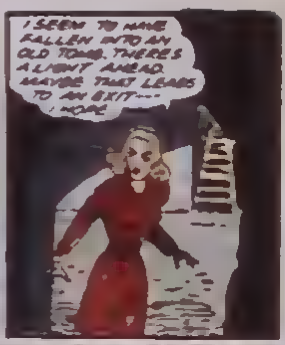
UGH!

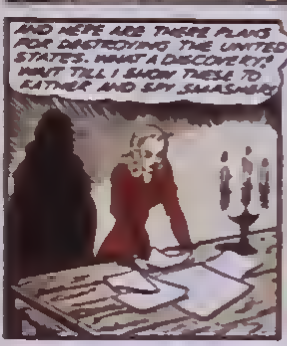
E— EVE! M— MISS EVE! WHERE ARE YOU ALL GONE?

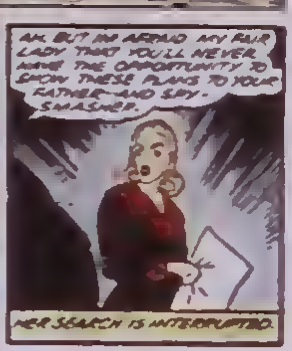

OH, L—L—MISS! AH— I— DON'T KNOW WHICH IS WHICH — BUT THIS ONE GRABBED MY ARM. BUT AH GOT TO LOOK FOR MA'AM SO LA, SHE IN CASE A GHOST DONE G— GOT HER

AH G— GOT TO REST ME A MINUTE I'M TIRE. MAN A BOY GET TO CARRYING AROUND THAT PEOPLE
MISS

MEANWHILE EVE HAS FOUND HERSELF IN THE UNDERGROUND PASSAGEWAY




AND HERE ARE THESE PLANS FOR DESTROYING THE UNITED STATES. WHAT A DISCOVERY! WAIT TILL I SHOW THESE TO FATHER AND SPY SMASHER!

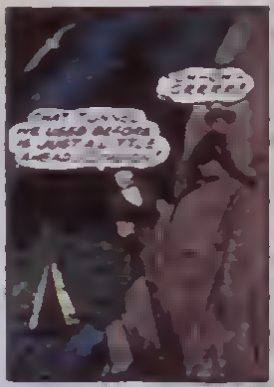

AH, BUT I'M AFRAID MY FAIR LADY THAT YOU'LL NEVER HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW THESE PLANS TO YOUR FATHER AND SPY-SMASHER.
HER SEARCH IS INTERRUPTED.

KURT BUND!
THE SAME AND YOU SHOULD KNOW I WOULD NEVER BE FOOLISH ENOUGH TO LEAVE THESE PLANS UNARMED.
COME WITH ME-- I WANT YOU TO TAKE A LOOK INTO THAT TOMB OUT THERE.
WHAT DYE SEES IN THE TOMB--
IT'S FATHER! HE'S DEAD!
NO, HE'S NOT DEAD-- NOT YET. BUT HE WILL BE DEAD UNLESS YOU TELL ME ALL THE SECRET PLANS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY FOR DEFENDING THE U.S. I KNOW YOU HAVE THEM BECAUSE I KNOW YOU ARE YOUR FATHER'S CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY!
I'VE NO TIME TO WASTE.. TELL ME ALL OR YOUR FATHER WILL DIE!
SPY SMASHER!

IMPATIENTLY WAITING HER ARMS AROUND SPY-SMASHER, THE UNFORTUNATE GIRL HAS HAD A CHANCE TO SAVE A MILLIONAIRE
I NEVER WAS SO GLAD TO SEE ANYONE. OH! HE'S GETTING AWAY!
HOOO-HOOO
OH! LAWDY ANOTHA GHOST!
RUNNING AWAY FROM THE CRASHES HEADON INTO THE LEADER
BUTEY
OH, MAN, DATS DE SQUAREST HOST AN EVER RUN INTO!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, DAD?
JUST A LITTLE SHOOK
YOU SURE D-BAT-KILLA AIN'T A G--- GHOST?
NO BUT IS YOU AND HIT WAS JUST A LITTLE BIT HARDER HE WOULD BE
THIS IS THE BIGGEST HAUL OF ALL! THIS MARVELOUS SILENT PLANE WILL NOW FLY FOR THE UNITED STATES INSTEAD OF AGAINST IT... THANKS TO SPY-SMASHER!
MORE HAIR RAISING ADVENTURES NEXT MONTH AS SPY SMASHER CONTINUES HIS BATTLE AGAINST ANTI-AMERICANISM AND ABOUT IT IN WHIZ COMICS

Lance O'Casey

THE EXPEDITION TO ANTARCTICA! MUTINY! ADMIRAL WILLIS KILLED AND LANCE O'CASEY A PRISONER ON THE CAPTURED SCHOONER! AND CAPT. BRAM AND MABEL ON THE LITTLE BRIAN BORU HAVE FOLLOWED AS FAST AS THEY COULD SO HERE WE ARE BACK TO THAT TROPICAL ISLAND OF ALTAPETA.
CH-!
CH!
YUP THERE HERE MABEL - SEE THE SHIP WE'D BETTER SAIL AROUND THE ISLAND
CH-!


GEEEE!

CH-CH-LOOK OUT BELOW!
SUPER NUMBERS! THE TRAIL CAVED IN!

CH-AYE, AYE

GLUM-GLUM! SUCK MABA! LOW HEAD!

CH-SAVAGE SAVES-CHIEF
THIS IS A BIG CAVE! AH! LISTEN TO THOSE ECHOES!

TELL YOU WHAT IS THERE! WE NEVER ALLOWED

THE HIRA-UP AGAIN, HIRA!
THE HIRA-BOSS, HIRA!

TOMORROW WE GO TO THE VOLCANO
UNDAUNTED, A MAN ARMED WITH A SAVAGE WEAPON'S GUT

JACKS! MANNY IS KILLED!

THEY'RE HERE!
WAIT, MAULE! —STEN!

JACKS! WE GOT AWAY!
—NOT TOM! THE BARGE'S COMING!

IN A PANIC STRIKE, THEY LEAVE FOR THE VOLCANO AT ONCE
HEY BOSS—SHOULD WE BETTER GIVE LANCE CHASE?
—NO! NO JUST LEAVE HIM TIED UP THAT'S ALL

COME ON, TOM—WE GO FOR THE GOLD NOW
WHAT SINISTER PLAN IS MASTERMIND IN THE SAMOAN ARMY?
—AH! BAD MANS! HERE GOD KILL YOU! WATCH OUT!

—HEY! COME AND LAST US, LANCE!
—TAKE 'EM!
—AH! WHAT MANS?

GOOD BOY, MASTER MORGAN! I'M FREE, LANCE!
—OKAY, —NOW PUT ME!

DOWN LANCE - DOWN!
MAN-MAN! WHITE MAN!

TRY TO KILL ME - WILL YOU?
AHHH

LANCE, HE'S DISAPPEARED!
HE WENT THROUGH THE FLOOR!

COME ON DOWN LANCE IT'S A SECRET TUNNEL!

LANCE!
AH, WHITE MAN WITH EYE-GLASS!

WHERE ARE YOUR MORALS?
LIKE GOD-AWFUL BRAIN SICKNESS KILL ALL PEOPLES-EVERYWHERE

A DEADLY COBRA APPEARS, JUST AS THE LANCE REPAIRS OF THE SECRET TUNNEL
EK-CCHHH!
DON'T MOVE! IT'S A COBRA!

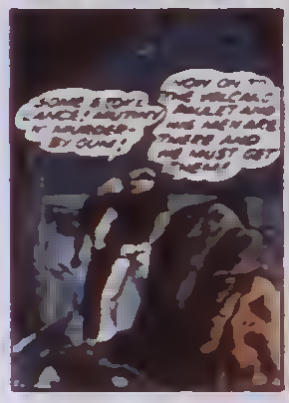
BANG!

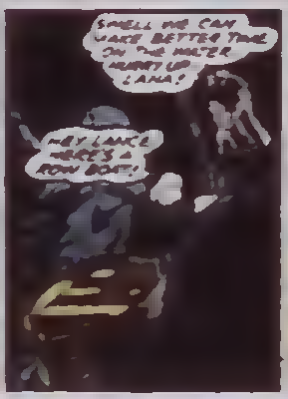
GUNCHCEE! OVER HERE! IT'S A CAVE-IN!

BURIED ALIVE!
THE REVOLVER SHOT CAUSED THE CAVE-IN!

MEANWHILE, BY THE CAVE-IN FAR DOWN THE TUNNEL... CAPN DOOM AND SMEE...

BUT LOOK! HERE COMES MASTER MORAN!
AHOY SAILOR!
YOO HOO!
HIYA CAPN!


SOUND & TOY! ANCE! MUTINY! MURDER! BY GUM!
HOW OH TH' VELCANIC BULLET AND HIS MEN ARE THERE AND WE MUST GET THERE!

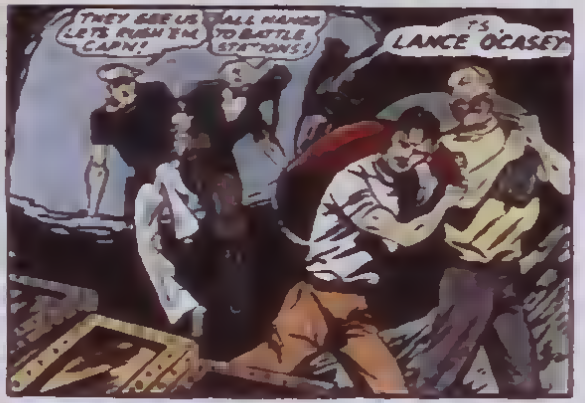

SMELL WE CAN MAKE BETTER TIME ON THE WATER HURRY UP LANA!
HEY LANCE HERE'S A ROW BOAT!

SHHH! MAN! QUIET! I HEAR VOICES!
DUKE DOWN, YOU MONKEY!

THE CAVE OF THE GOLDEN HOARD!
THERE THEY ALL CAPN!

BY CAR, TOO MUCH TO CARRY! LET US GO TOM?
HA, BOSS! HA HA THIS IS GREAT!

PST— PST SNEAK UP AND SURPRISE THEM!

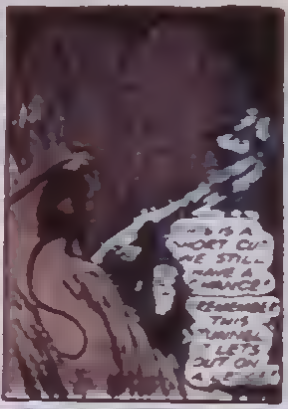

THEY SEE US LET'S RUSH 'EM CAPN!
ALL HANDS TO BATTLE STATIONS!
I'S LANCE O'CASEY

AHOY YOU COWL ARM!

GOT YOU WE RUN BAN!
YES SO, I HOLD THEM OFF! RAN YOU MOVE!

THEY'LL ESCAPE!
LOOT OUT THE BACK!
COME ON TOM!

THE BLASTED SWABS!
COME ON! FOLLOW ME THERES AN EXIT THERE!
HA! HA! HA!

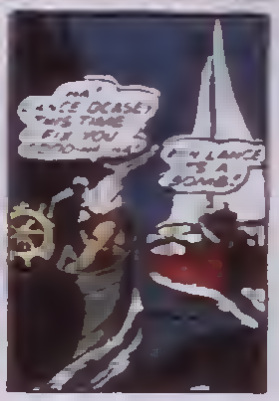

IT IS A LONG CLIMB WE STILL HAVE A CHANCE!
REMEMBER THIS TUNNEL LETS OUT ON A

OH, WE MUST CATCH THEM!
THAT'LL NEVER STOP HIM CAPT! LETS GET TO THAT BRAWN BOY! AN HEAD 'EM OFF!

HURRY! ANDY!
ANDY THERE SAVAGE SNAKE A

GOOD OLE BRAWN BOY! SAVE ON DOOM!
LITTLE 'ER WOODRIS MATES!

WE'LL CATCH THEM! LEAVING TROUBLE BEHIND THEM!
HE HAS A BOAT!


HA! ONCE AGAIN! THIS TIME I'LL FIX YOU DOOM-HA!
MY LANCE IS A BOOMER!

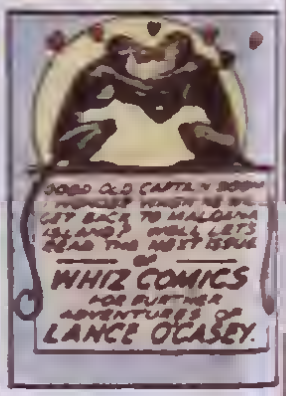
SO LONG SAY YOUR PRAYERS, LANCE O'CASEY!
OVER THE SIDE, EVERYBODY!

TUMBLE OUT AN' STEP LIVELY MISTER HOGAN!

A, LEZ-GO!
HURRAH FOR MISTER HOGAN!

MISTER HOGAN'S A HERO!

WELL, WHAT'S THAT?
THIS TIME I'M GOIN' BACK TO MALOANA ISLAND EVEN IF I HAFTA SWIM!
BRIAN BOB


GOOD OLD CAPTAIN BOOB! I WONDER WHEN HE'LL GET BACK TO MALOANA ISLAND? WELL, LET'S READ THE NEXT ISSUE OF
WHIZ COMICS
FOR FURTHER ADVENTURES OF
LANCE O'CASEY.

A Western Sheriff outsmarts a gambling badman and beats him at his own game. . . .

SHARP PUFFS of wind were blowing across the prairie, as though some gargantuan giant were monotonously trying to blow out a candle. The moon scampered, now and then, to peep through a rift in the downy clouds, but for the rest of the time had to be content with bathing the earth in a heavenly filtered light, which spread on over hill after hill, as far as the eye could see. It reminded Luke Clinton of the time he had run in that big cathedral back East.

"Get a grip', Jimmy!" he sang out. The two in there in front came to mean a lot of wheeled ruts that presently faded from the lone trail. Jimmy understood his master in a hurry, and grasped the story unreasoned correctly. Consequently, the two went a little faster—just a little. They had gone a short distance in this accelerated speed when "bang!" a pistol shot smacked across the silence of the night. Jimmy already had his legs stiffened for a sliding stop when Luke yelled for up with a short but not unfriendly:

"Whoa there, Girl!" The mare's keenly attuned ears for Luke was the sheriff of the county through which he was now riding, told him two things about that shot. It had been fired not more than a mile away, and—not in the open. It had a muffled sound, which Luke realized was an indoor shot. An outdoor shot on the prairie can mean any of a dozen things, none of them especially interesting to a sheriff not in the line which he was sworn to defend. But a shot fired indoors invariably means foul play.

Luke waited for several seconds, but hearing nothing further, whistled Jimmy around, and was off in the direction from which the shot had come. He finally pulled the horse to a halt before a small ranch house. A rear porch did service to enhance the entrance of the house. It was much too small to do anything more. Luke smiled the air like a hunting dog trying to scent a fox scent. Yep, he could smell a rat right. Some one had fired shot here within the past few minutes—else all still held the fine particles.

Luke dismounted and approached the house in his usual swaggering walk. He was a good six feet three and when in repose looked anything but the really strong man he was. Where he walked, however, there was a rippling of muscles as the lithe body that few would mistake. He now stepped upon the porch, which creaked a distinct protest against his weight, and pushing shoulder against the door, was soon surveying the room. The acrid smell of powder smoke was plainly discernible. The smoke finally burned his tongue. Luke threw it on the floor, stamped on it and, lighting another, soon had the lounging lamp burning. Its yellow beams showed him—just what he had feared and expected. Old Zeke Woodridge lay on the floor, one hand clamped around a corner of the half pulled down table cloth. He was as dead as a salt mackerel. His sightless eyes were staring at the ceiling, as though he would draw from the explanation of what had happened to him. There was no evidence of any wound. Luke turned the body over—it was still warm. How Zeke had met his death was now plain—he had been shot in the back, more than likely by someone from the outside—through the partly open window.

THE SHERIFF scratched his head. He was puzzled. Old man Woodridge probably had plenty of enemies—as you would follow the law of business and not have. My son, when a man gets out in the world is called a financier, and in others a loan shark. At any rate, he loaned out money at very high rates of interest. Many have had cut in on promising

the far West, to a man like old Woodridge changed whenever interest he pleased, and that meant all that the traffic would bear. Still, who would hate the old codger to the extent of killing him in cold blood?

Beside the room in which Luke now stood, and which held forth to a combination living room, bed room, dining room and library, there were two cubbies, too tiny to be graced by the name of room. One served as a kitchen, where the old bachelor prepared such meals as he ate. The other was a sort of office. Luke knew that the old man kept records here. Taking the lamp from its hanging ring, he now went to this office space. Everything was scattered about, as though someone had been looking for something in a great hurry.

Now Luke was just a sheriff. An open-faced, above-board law-man. He was accustomed to hangings, men, killings in all forms; but the subtler, more elusive forms of crime detection, namely, playing detective, had never been required of him. He now felt strangely at a loss—didn't know how or where to start.

"Well," he spoke out loud. "It's a safe bet here to start doin' somethin', even of ye bungle it, than to stand 'round doin' nothin'." Following this line of reasoning, he picked up the scattered papers and arranged them alphabetically.

The sheriff soon found that there were only two kinds of papers, and that they fitted into two files, which in turn fitted into two pigeon holes in the open safe. They were signed notes and unsigned, undated receipts. The notes were signed by the various men that owed Woodridge, and called for certain sums of money and contained the date when these sums were due. Luke pondered over this for some time, but finally understood the set-up. Old Woodridge would lend a man a sum of money, which was to be repaid in, say, ten payments. He would receive ten notes signed by the borrower, each showing the date on which it was due. Then the old loan shark, who was a professional lawyer, would make out a receipt for each of these notes, leaving the date and his signature blank. Then as payment was made, he would get the proper receipt from the file in the safe, finish filling it out, and that was that. It must have been a sort of hobby with the old man, a way to while away the long, lonely evenings.

Luke checked the contents of the note file against that of the receipts, and found everything in apple pie order, except for one item—ten notes signed by Lafe Gregg for six hundred dollars each, had no corresponding receipts. So Lafe Gregg, the owner of the Crystal Ball saloon, and the biggest professional gambler in town, had gotten into the clutches of old Woodridge, eh? That cleared up a number of things which had puzzled Luke of late. He now put the little bundle of Lafe's notes in his pocket, put all the rest back into the safe and closed and locked the rusty old steel door. Luke then replaced the lamp in its holder and blew it out. The room with its gruesome scene did not fall into total blackness, for the clouds had evidently been dispersed, and the moon shone through the window with all the power of a diffused spot light.

THE LAW man then hurried to his horse. He led her back of a little shed and up her great surprise, and her to a post. He then returned to the house and moving an old rocker to the junction of the big room and the office, sat down and waited.

"It'll take Lafe nigh onto an hour to get back to town," said the sheriff to himself. "And if that crooked lawyer o' hern is waitin' for him, as I reckon he will be, 'twont be but a few minutes afore Lafe'll be back-trackin' out this way ag'in. So allowing another hour for his return trip here, he should oughta be here shortly."

Hardly had he finished this soliloquy when unmistakable sounds of hoofbeats disturbed the peace of the night. They came closer and closer—ending in a quick sliding stop right before the house. The little porch gave vent to an oomph to this late disturbance, by giving the newcomer's footsteps an extra hollow sound. A second later someone was in the room, a match was struck and in the same movement the lamp lit.

Without looking right or left or even glancing at the body on the floor, the newcomer, a large boned person, immaculately dressed in the accepted western gambler's attire, turned to the back office room. Luke had meanwhile gotten up from the rocker at the man's approach, and flattened himself against the wall in the farthest corner of the big room. From here he watched the other man's every move.

With a loud curse, the man ran back into the room and looked down at the corpse.

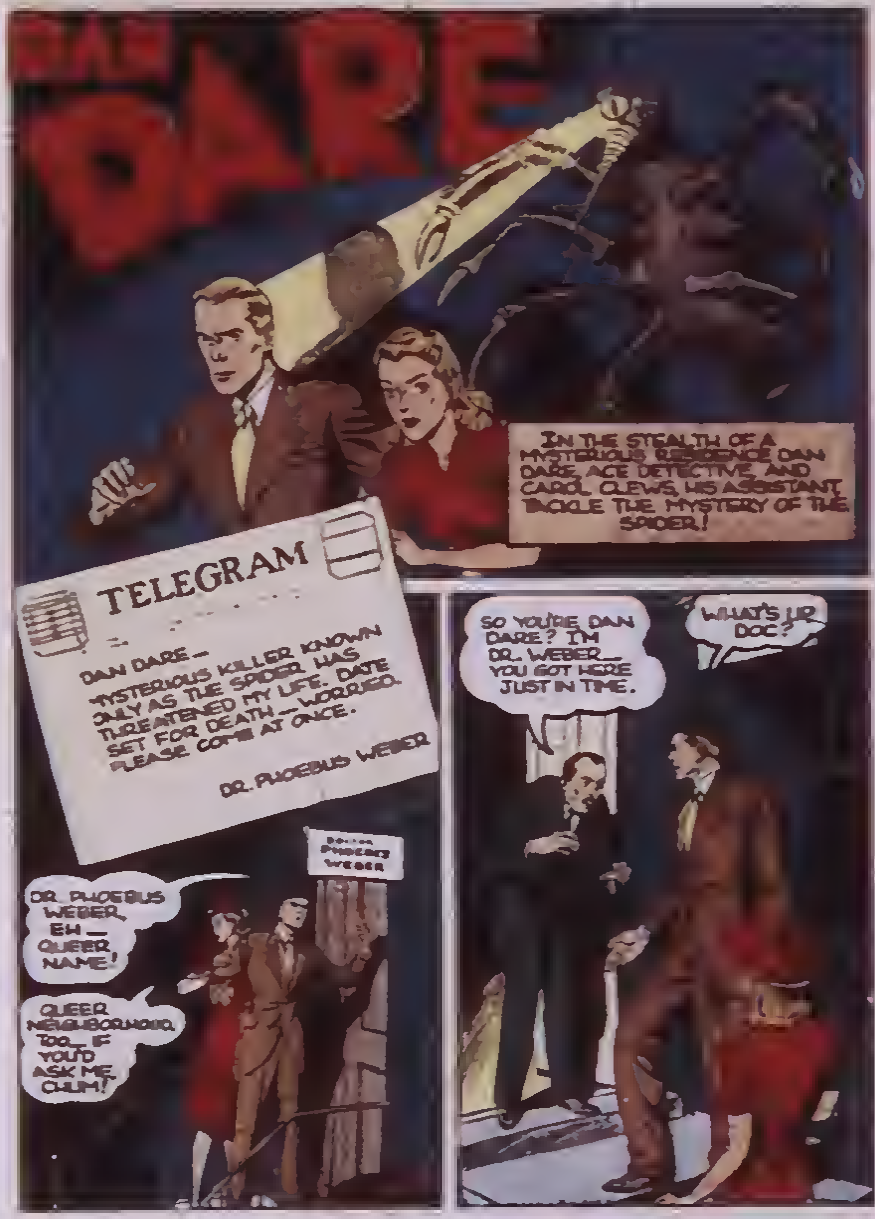
"Must o' been his ghost that locked that safe," he snarled. "I know it was open when I left."

"Maybe you're lookin' for these, Lafe Gregg!" asked Luke in a deadly calm tone. "You took the receipts by mistake and left your signed notes." The gambler whirled to the sound of Luke's voice.

"Why you—" he gasped, looking a quick grab for his gun. Neither the sentence nor the gun-event were ever finished. An ear splitting forty-five shot shook that little place to five seemed to spurt from the end of Luke's fingers. The gambler twitchingly sprang into the air, turned half around and crashed to the floor. For a moment or two he kicked and threshed around, then all was quiet. Luke slowly holstered his gun, and looking down on old Woodridge said:

"I don't know how you feel about it, Zeke, but I think Lafe's account should be marked, *Paid in full.*"

The End


DAN DARE
IN THE STEALTH OF A MYSTERIOUS RESIDENCE DAN DARE, ACE DETECTIVE AND CAROL OLEWS, HIS ASSISTANT, TACKLE THE MYSTERY OF THE SPIDER!
TELEGRAM
DAN DARE— MYSTERIOUS KILLER KNOWN ONLY AS THE SPIDER HAS THREATENED MY LIFE. DATE SET FOR DEATH—WORRIED. PLEASE COME AT ONCE.
DR. PHOEBUS WEBER
DR. PHOEBUS WEBER
DR. PHOEBUS WEBER, EH— QUEER NAME!
QUEER NEIGHBORHOOD, TOO— IF YOU'D ASK ME, CHUM!
SO YOU'RE DAN DARE? I'M DR. WEBER— YOU GOT HERE JUST IN TIME.
WHAT'S UP, DOC?

FOR DAYS A MYSTERIOUS FIEND—THE SPIDER, HAS BEEN HAUNTING ME. NOW HE THREATENS DEATH IN AN HOUR—AT MIDNIGHT!
DOC... THEY WANTCHA IN THE LAB
VERY WELL, TONY. EXCUSE ME, MR. DARE.
THERE'S SOMETHING FISHY GOING ON HERE. LET'S HAVE A LOOK AROUND.
YOU'VE BEEN READING TOO MANY HORROR STORIES, HAWKSHAW
MAYBE YOU'RE RIGHT DAN— THIS JOINT'S AS SPOOKY AS A CHINESE TORTURE HOTEL.
WOW! WHAT'S THAT?
BOTH OF YOU MEDDLERS DIE WITH WEBER AT MIDNIGHT!

GOOD THING DOC WEBBER COLLECTS ARMOR— I'LL COME IN HANDY.
ALL RIGHT, MR. SPIDER— YOU ASKED FOR IT!
WONDER WHAT'S UNDER THIS FANCY WRAPPING?
HEY— WAIA—!!!
HANG ON SWEETIE! I'LL FIX THEIR WAGON WHEN WE GET TO THE ATTIC
THANKS FOR THE RIDE BOYS— CAN WE DROOP YOU OFF?
WONDER WHERE DOC WEBBER WENT?
THEIR HAZARDOUS TOUR OF THE HOUSE TAKES DAN AND CAROL TO A MYSTERIOUS STAIRWAY....

I'M MORE INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHO THAT SPIDER IS, HANDSOME.
REMEMBER, BOYS, NO ROUGH STUFF.
WHY, IT'S A BLIND ALLEY!
THAT'S RIGHT, LADY— THERE'S NO EXIT.
OH—OH— NOW WHAT, DANIEL OLD BOY?
SOON YOU WILL BE IN MY POWER— READY TO OBEY ME.
A STRANGE, HYPNOTIC RAY SHINES FROM THE SPIDER'S EYE.....
THAT BAR ON THE CEILING— I WONDER—
REMAIN CALM AND STILL WHILE I—

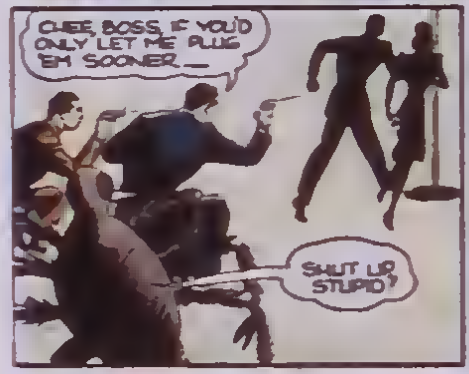
I'LL PLUNGE MY POISON FEELER INTO YOUR CHEST!

IT'S NOW OR NEVER!

I MADE IT!

GUESS YOU HAVEN'T BEEN TO THE CIRCUS LATELY, SPIDER.

COME ON, SUGAR PIE... NOW'S OUR CHANCE!


GEE, BOSS, IF YOU'D ONLY LET ME PLUG 'EM SOONER...
SHUT UP, STUPID!

IT'S DOWN THE HATCH, HONEY... THOSE SLUGS ARE TOO CLOSE.

YOU THINK OF EVERYTHING, SHERLOCK.
WHAT TH— LOOKS LIKE A BANK VAULT!
WONDER WHAT'S INSIDE? THERE— NOW IT'S OPENING!
WHAT A HAUL— SOMEBODY MUST HAVE STOLEN A BANK!
SUDDENLY THE LIGHTS GO OUT AND A SINGLE SINISTER BEAM PLAYS ABOUT THE VAULT....
DAN DARE— YOU ARE DOOMED!
THE TIME HAS COME, DAN DARE— YOU DIE!
I FOUND THAT LIGHT SWITCH JUST IN TIME!
EEEK— YOW!

WHAT'S THE MATTER, SPIDER — FLAT-FOOTED ON ALL EIGHT?
YOU HAVE COME TO THE END OF THE TRAIL, MR. DARE
SPIDER EH? WELL, HERE'S SOME SPIDER POISON!
OH NO YOU DON'T — NOW WATCH!
THAT MOVE WAS THE FIRST NAIL IN YOUR COFFIN, MR. DARE!
DAN — STOP HIM — HE'S —
HOLD ONTO THAT SHOOTING IRON, HONEY — IT MAY COME IN HANDY.
THE SPIDER IS — NONE OTHER THAN THE HONORABLE DR. PHOEBUS WEBER!

AND DR. WEBER IN REALITY IS — HYPNO HARRY! REMEMBER HIM, CAROL?
SURE — YOU CAUGHT HIM. HE USED AN ILLUMINATED GLASS EYE TO HYPNOTIZE BANK CLERKS — THEY GAVE HIM WHAT EVER HE ASKED FOR
YOU WIN, DAN! YOU SENT ME UP BUT NEVER GOT ME TO TELL THE HIDING PLACE FOR THE LOOT. WELL, NOW YOU'VE FOUND IT.
I ESCAPED FROM PRISON — [redacted] UP THE GANG PLANNED THIS SPIDER BUSINESS AND SENT YOU THE TELEGRAM PHONEYING A DOCTOR'S OFFICE AS A FRONT.
GREAT WORK, DAN. INCIDENTALLY JUST BEFORE I LEFT THE OFFICE THIS TELEGRAM ARRIVED FOR YOU.
COME RIGHT IN, BOYS, WHILE I USE HARRY'S SPECIAL PHONE TO GET THE POLICE.
TELEGRAM
DAN DARE
POWERFUL OPIUM RING TERRORIZING STATE FROM PRISON HIDEOUT. STRANGE MYSTERY INVOLVED. COME QUICKEST WAY POSSIBLE.
WARDEN EVERETT BLAND
CALIFORNIA STATE PRISON

DR. VOODOO

THROUGH BACK THROUGH TIME, DR. VOODOO AND BROTHER, THE MARVELOUS MARVEL ARE IN THE DREADED VALLEY OF THE GIANTS. BUT AFTER BEING CAPTURED BY ANITA, QUEEN OF THE GIANTS, VOODOO AND HERO ESCAPE UP THE STEEP CLIFF-SIDE, ONLY TO BE WARNED OF A GIANT DRAGON WHICH AWAITS THEM!

THE BEAUTEOUS QUEEN AND HER GIANT SUBJECTS WATCH IN AMAZEMENT AS VOODOO AND HERO SCALE THE CLIFF. THEY KNOW ONLY TOO WELL OF THE GIANT DRAGON WHICH THE GODS OF OLYMPUS PLACED THERE TO DESTROY ALL INTRUDERS.

UP OVER THE SLIPPERY, TOMBSTONE ROCKS THEY CLAMBER. SET BACK FARTHER AND FARTHER INTO THE CHILL MOUNTAIN AIR... STEP BY STEP THE GOING BECOMES MORE DIFFICULT, THEN...

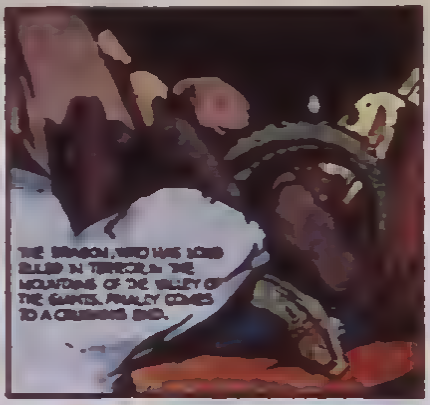
THEY STOP SHORT — FOR, FACING THEM IS A SHEER RISE OF IMPASSABLE ROCK, STRETCHING HUNDREDS OF FEET UPWARDS. "WE'RE GOING TO HAVE BACK," EXCLAIMS DR. VOODOO, "AND FIND ANOTHER PATH."

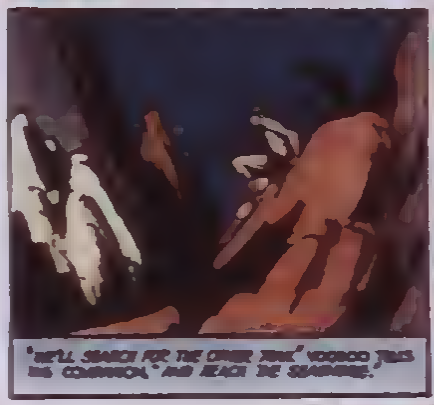
...AND WHO IS GUILTY!
DR. VOODOO LEAPS!

AND THE CRAW SWUNG SWORD O'BRIEN DEFTLY S... OF BLADE THE BEAST IN A BLINDING BLOW, STRIVING FURIOUSLY TO UNBALANCE THE BUNY WARRIOR FOR AT THE SAME TIME, LOCKED HIS ITS CLUTCH ON HERO.
THE DRAGON SWUNG AND TRAMPLED, AND ITS HOT BREATH MELTS THE ARMORED KNIGHT. ... BUT SIR VOODOO ROARS, THIS AND DEALT A BLOW TO THE BEAST.
"WE GET TO ALL SWING" SPEAKS VOODOO, "THRUST THE SWORD CLEAN THROUGH AS ZEBULA!" BUT THE MORTALLY WOUNDED DRAGON STILL SEEMS TORMENTED WITH DESTROYING ITS ENEMIES.

THEY WAIT GRIMLY AT THE CLIFF'S EDGE, KNOWING THAT DEATH FACES THEM FROM THE FRONT—AND FROM THE REAR!
WITH THE MONSTERS ADDED WEIGHT, THE LEDGE BEGINS TO CRACK AND SPLIT APART!
THE CLIFF SUDDENLY BREAKS AWAY TO A SHEER DROP, AS THE HORDE PITCHES DOWN AND THE ARMY AND THE MONSTERS LOCK IN MORTAL COMBAT AND HARD LUCK TO THEM, LADS!
...AND AS THE GODS OF LUCK WOULD HAVE IT, THEY LAND SAFELY ON THE NEARBY CRAGS!

THEY SCRAMBLE BACK TO THE RIDGE...JUST IN TIME TO VIEW THE HAVE THEY BARELY MISSED.

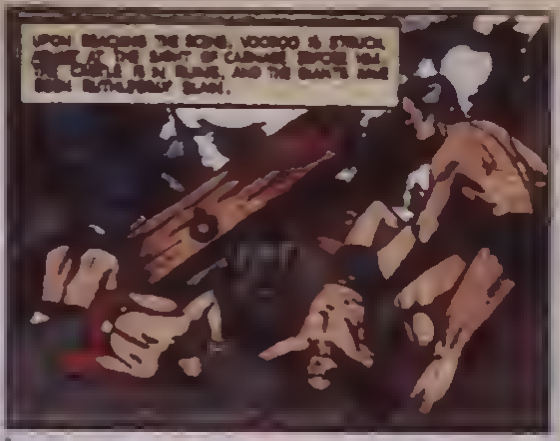

THE DRAGON, WHO HAS NOW SETTLED IN TERROR IN THE MOUNTAINS OF THE VALLEY OF THE GIANTS, FINALLY COMES TO A CRUSHING END.

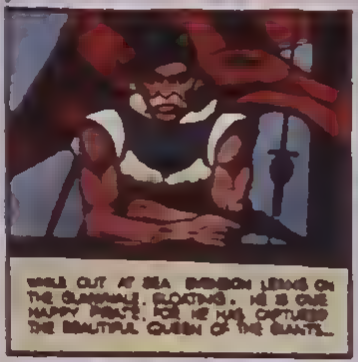

"WE'LL SEARCH FOR THE OTHER TRAIL" VOODOO TELLS HIS COMPANION, "AND REACH THE SWAMPLAND."

AS SUDDENLY A TALL BOOMING VOICE BEHIND THEM BARKS...AND THE

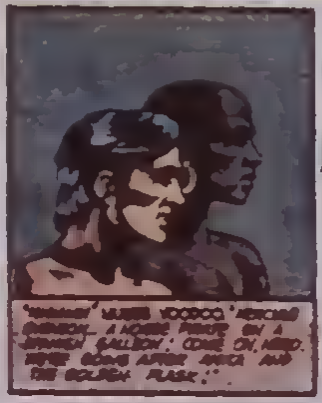
"THAT CAN MEAN ONLY ONE THING" VAL SAYS.

"THE CRUSHER CASTLE IS BEING BOMBARDED!"

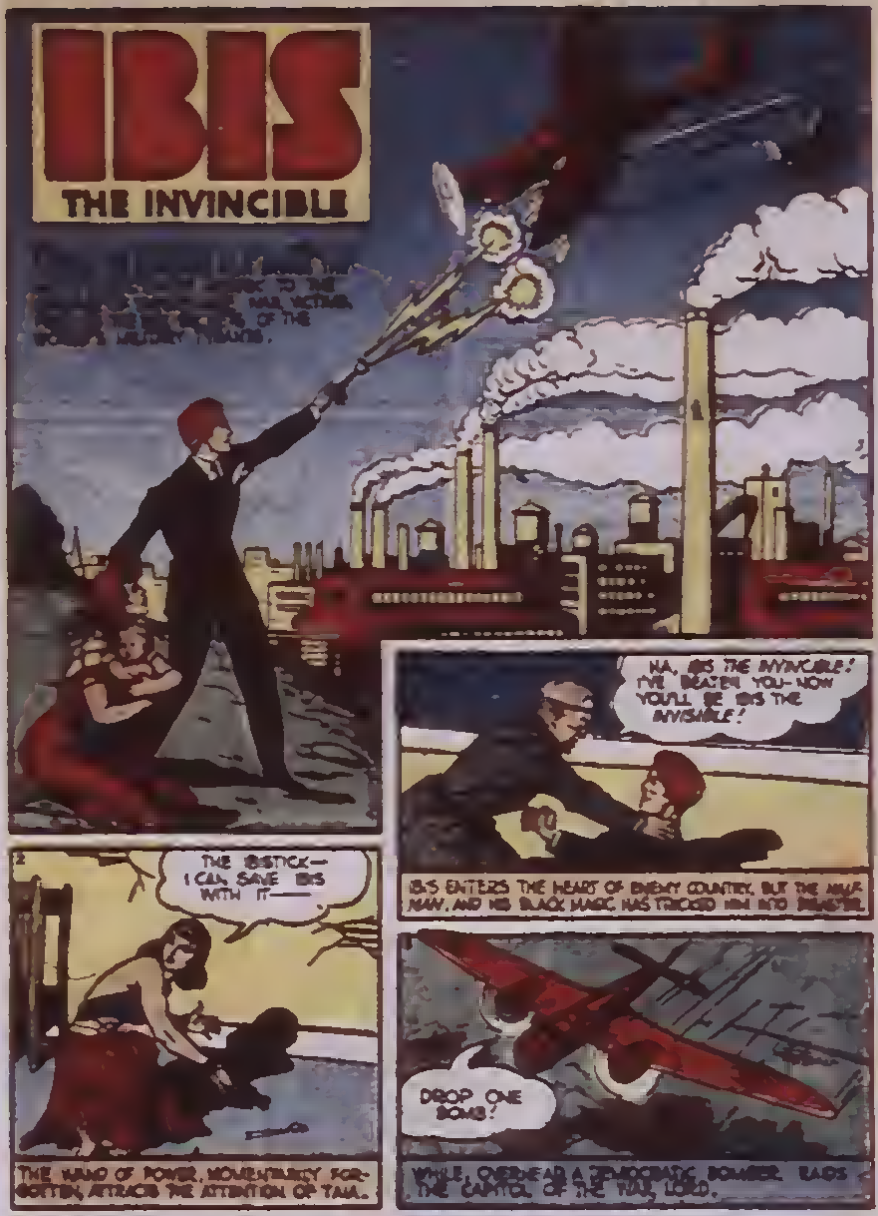

UPON REACHING THE SCENE, VOODOO IS STRUCK DUMB AT THE SIGHT OF CARNAGE BEFORE HIM. THE CASTLE IS IN RUINS, AND THE GIANTS HAVE BEEN RUTHLESSLY SLAIN.


WHILE OUT AT SEA BARBOSA LEANS ON THE GUNWALE, GLOATING. HE IS ONE HAPPY PIRATE, FOR HE HAS CAPTURED THE BEAUTIFUL QUEEN OF THE GIANTS...

...AND HE'S IN POSSESSION OF THE MAGICAL GOLDEN FLASK!


"AHAHA!" MUSES VOODOO. "MEDICINE MAN!—A HOMELY PIRATE ON A SPANISH GALLEON! COME ON, MEND! NEVER GOING ACROSS AMICA AND THE GOLDEN FLASK!"

BUT WHEN WHIZ COMICS APPEARS!


IBIS
THE INVINCIBLE
HA, IBIS THE INVINCIBLE! I'VE BEATEN YOU- NOW YOU'LL BE IBIS THE INVISIBLE!
IBIS ENTERS THE HEART OF ENEMY COUNTRY, BUT THE NAVAL MAN, AND HIS BLACK MAGIC, HAS TRICKED HIM INTO DISASTER.
2
THE LIPSTICK— I CAN SAVE IBIS WITH IT——
THE HAND OF POWER, MOMENTARILY FORGOTTEN, ATTRACTS THE ATTENTION OF TAIA.
DROP ONE BOMB!
WHILE, OVERHEAD A DEMOCRATIC BOMBER, LEADS THE CAPITOL OF THE TAIA LORD.

BOOM
A BOMB!

THE EXPLOSION WAS HERE! SEARCH FOR SURVIVORS!

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, EXCELLENCY?
OF COURSE, YOU IDIOT! BUT DIG DOWN AND SAVE PRINCE TSIS—HE MUST NOT DIE BEFORE HE LEARNS HIS SECRETS!

TAKE HIM TO A HOSPITAL. SEE THAT HE RECOVERS. I WILL FOLLOW.

A POOR GIRL CAUGHT IN HERE—SHE IS STILL ALIVE! I'LL SAVE HER!
IN ANOTHER PART OF THE RUINS.

WHERE—WHAT—HAVE I BEEN ASLEEP?
POOR CHILD! YOU NARROWLY ESCAPED DEATH IN THAT BOMBING—ANOTHER TRAGEDY OF THIS HATEFUL WAR.

WAR? WHAT WAR?
THE EXPLOSION HAS TAKEN AWAY HER MEMORY—HOW PITIFUL!

I WILL CARE FOR YOU, MY DEAR. MY OWN GIRL WAS KILLED IN JUST SUCH A SAD WAY—AND SO YOU WILL BE MY DAUGHTER, AND I WILL BE YOUR MOTHER.
OF COURSE—MOTHER.

AM I A PRISONER? TAMA—THE BISTICK—
ALAS, BOTH GONE. ONLY I AM HERE, THE HALF-MAN.

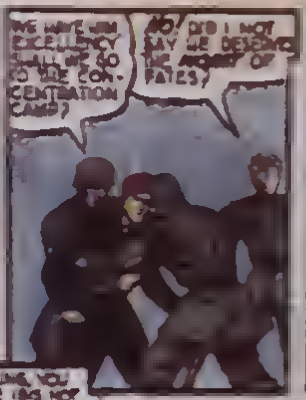
YOU ARE IN CIVILIAN [illegible] YOU COULD BE SHOT AS A SPY. BUT YOU COULD STILL BE OF USE TO US WITH [illegible] MAGICAL ART.
HELP YOUR FILTHY CONQUEST OF ALL THAT IS GOOD? NEVER!

I'LL TWIST YOUR NECK TO MATCH YOUR SOUL!
HELP! GUARD!
LET GO OF HIM, OR—

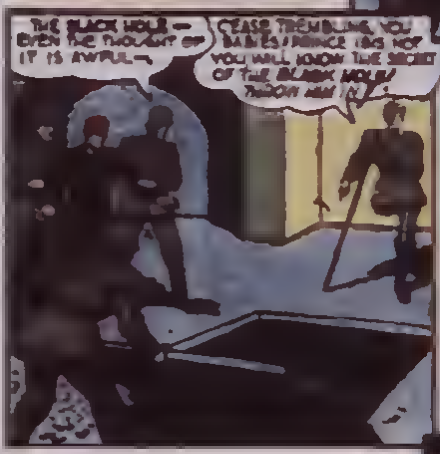
IF I'VE LOST MY BISTICK—THIS GUN WILL HAVE TO DO!

HOW DO YOU LIKE YOUR OWN MEDICINE?
HELP! MORE GUARDS! A SQUAD!

DON'T KILL HIM, YOU FOOLS! HE IS SERVES A WORSE FATE.


WE HAVE HIM EXCELLENCY SHALL WE GO TO THE CONCENTRATION CAMPS?
NO! DID I NOT SAY HE DESERVES THE WORST OF FATES?

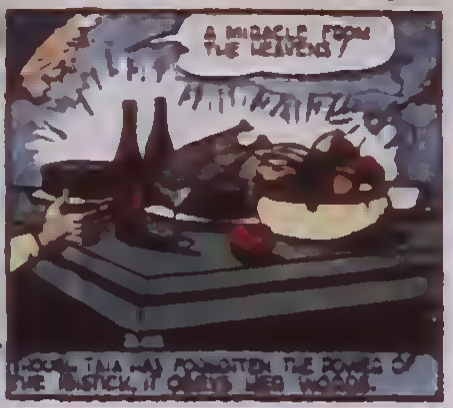
HE IS SHALL BE THROWN INTO THE BLACK HOLE

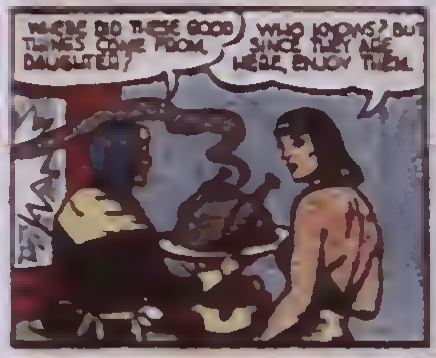

THE BLACK HOLE — EVEN THE THOUGHT OF IT IS AWFUL—
CEASE TREMBLING, YOU BABIES! PRINCE IBIS NOT YOU WILL KNOW THE SECRET OF THE BLACK HOLE! THROW HIM IN!

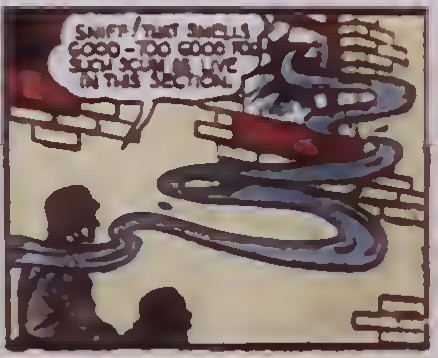
WELL, THAT FALL DIDN'T KILL ME— BUT THOSE EYES! WHOSE EYES ARE

THEY SHINE LIKE FIRE! IF ITS DANGER I'LL FACE IT—

MEANWHILE, THE KINDLY WOMAN LONG HAD TO SUFFER.
YOU ARE SO KIND — AND SO POOR. I WISH YOU HAD MORE FOOD YOU NEED
SEE DAUGHTER, I'M NOT HUNGRY. THERE IS LITTLE HERE, BUT YOU ARE WELCOME TO WHAT I HAVE.


A MIRACLE FROM THE HEAVENS!
HOOEY, TALA HAS FORGOTTEN THE POWERS OF THE LIPSTICK. IT CREATES MEN WOODS.

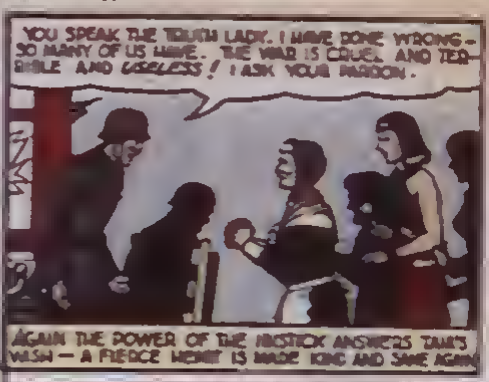

WHERE DID THESE GOOD THINGS COME FROM, DAUGHTER?
WHO KNOWS? BUT SINCE THEY ARE HERE, ENJOY THEM.


SNIFF! THAT SMELLS GOOD — TOO GOOD FOR SUCH SCUM AS LIVE IN THIS SECTION.

SO, WHERE DID THOSE LUSCIOUS COMIC FROM? DO YOU NOT KNOW THE REGULATIONS GOVERNING WHAT FOOD YOU EAT?
OH, PLEASE WE — MEAN NO HARM —

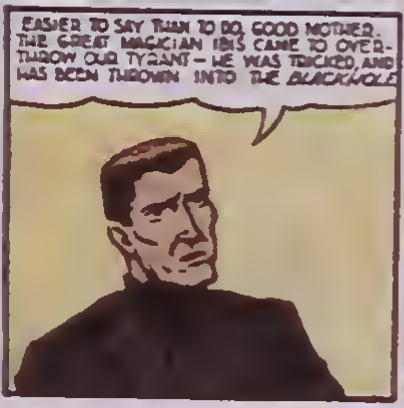
THIS IS A TIME OF WAR. SUCH PROVISIONS ARE ONLY FOR GENERALS AND COMMANDERS! YOU HAVE STOLEN THEM — I ARREST YOU!
WAIT!

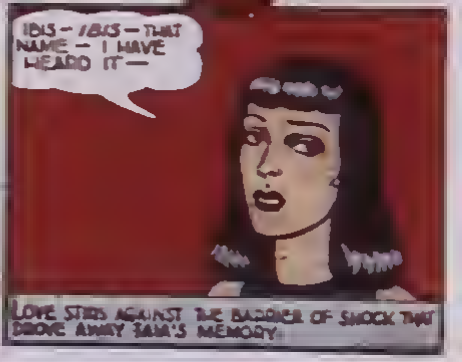
WHY MUST YOU BE A CRUEL BULL? THERE WAS NO HARM HERE. I WISH THAT YOU COULD BE KIND AND UNDERSTANDING.
BUT - THAT IS —


YOU SPEAK THE TRUTH LADY. I HAVE DONE WRONG - SO MANY OF US HAVE. THE WAR IS CRUEL AND TERRIBLE AND *USELESS!* I ASK YOUR PARDON.
AGAIN THE POWER OF THE MISTICK ANSWERS TAM'S WISH — A FIERCE HERMIT IS MADE KING AND SAME AGAIN

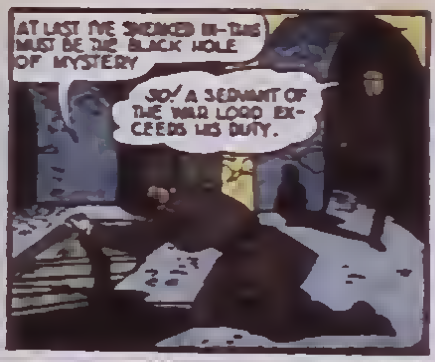
YOU HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR FROM HANS MUSGOOSE - I WILL LEAVE YOU TO ENJOY THESE WONDERFUL THINGS-
YOU'LL DO NOTHING OF THE KIND! YOU'RE A POOR HUNGRY BOY SIT DOWN AND SHARE WITH US.

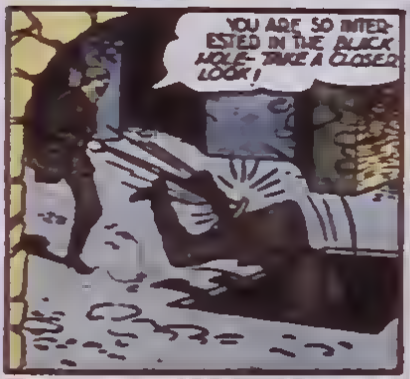
I HAVE NOT EATEN SUCH FOOD SINCE THE WAR BEGAN.
THE WAR HAS TAKEN ALL HAPPINESS FROM US. WE SHOULD COMBINE TO BRING PEACE TO THE WORLD.


EASIER TO SAY THAN TO DO, GOOD MOTHER. THE GREAT MAGICIAN IBIS CAME TO OVERTHROW OUR TYRANT - HE WAS TRICKED AND WAS BEEN THROWN INTO THE *BLACK HOLE*


IBIS - *IBIS* - THAT NAME - I HAVE HEARD IT —
LOVE STRIS AGAINST THE BARRIER OF SHOCK THAT DROVE AWAY TAM'S MEMORY.

OF COURSE YOU KNOW THE NAME, MY DAUGHTER - EVERYONE KNOWS OF IBIS, THE MAN OF WHITE MAGIC, WHO HAS DONE SO MUCH GOOD TO POOR PEOPLE
HE WOULD BE ABLE TO HELP US NOW. I'LL GO - I'LL ASK HIS AID AND RETURN TO TELL YOU


AT LAST I'VE SNOOPED IN - THIS MUST BE THE BLACK HOLE OF MYSTERY
SO! A SERVANT OF THE WAR LORD EXCEEDS HIS DUTY.

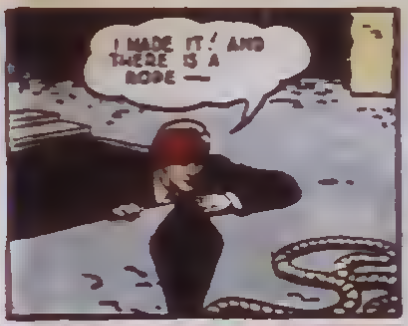

YOU ARE SO INTERESTED IN THE BLACK HOLE- TAKE A CLOSER LOOK!

A LION- STARVED AND FIERCE! IF THIS IS THE END, I WILL DIE FIGHTING!

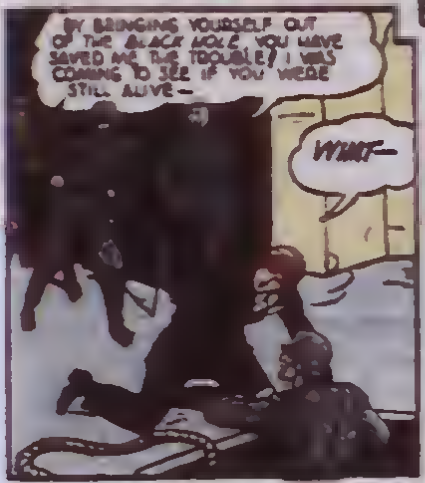
THANK YOU, WHOEVER YOU ARE, FOR DROPPING IN ON US

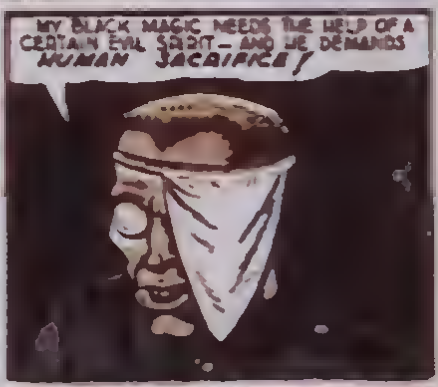
THIS SETTLES THE BEAST! THANKS AGAIN, COMARADE!
YOU ARE IBIS, THE MAGICIAN? I CAME TO LOOK FOR YOU.

LET'S SEE WHAT KIND OF HOLE WE'RE IN.
HERE IS A PIECE OF WOOD. IT WILL MAKE A TORCH
SEE, MORE BONES AND A BARRED GATE! IF OUR CAPTORS FIND WE STILL LIVE, THEY WILL SAY THESE OTHER HUNGRY THINGS LIVE
IMPOSSIBLE! THIS BLACK HOLE IS NO BLACKER THAN THE HEARTS OF THE TYRANTS
WE ARE DOOMED. YOUR MAGIC SEEMS TO BE GONE.
MY MAGIC, YES! BUT NOT MY WIT. COME, FRIEND. HELP ME—WE WILL ESCAPE.
PILE THESE LOOSE STONES BENEATH THE UPPER HEAD.
AS YOU SAY, BUT WE CANNOT REACH [illegible] EVEN SO.
WE HAVE GAINED SOME HEIGHT NOW, YOU ARE STRONG— GIVE ME A QUICK BOOST UPWARD—
IT MAY WORK, LORD! I AM READY!
IF I CAN CATCH THE EDGE OF THE HOLE—
UP!!

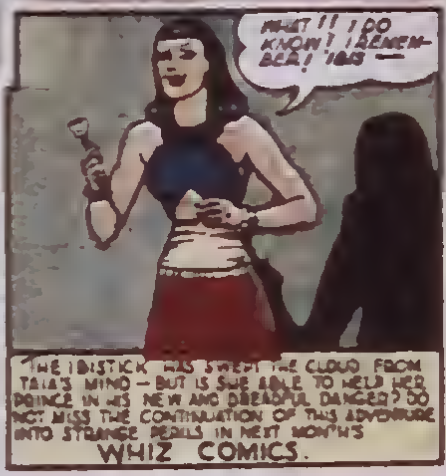

I MADE IT! AND THERE IS A ROPE —

GRAB! CATCH THE END OF THIS LINE, I'LL PULL YOU OUT.


BY BRINGING YOURSELF OUT OF THE BLACK HOLE YOU HAVE SAVED ME THE TROUBLE! I WAS COMING TO SEE IF YOU WERE STILL ALIVE —
WHAT—


MY BLACK MAGIC NEEDS THE HELP OF A CERTAIN EVIL SPIRIT — AND HE DEMANDS HUMAN SACRIFICE!

—AKIS IS LATE IN RETURNING. I HOPE HE IS NOT IN DANGER.
IT IS MADDENING. I SEEM SO CLOUDED — I WISH I COULD KNOW THE TRUTH ABOUT THINGS —


WHAT!! I DO KNOW! I REMEMBER! IRIS —
THE IBISTICK HAS SWEPT THE CLOUD FROM TALA'S MIND — BUT IS SHE ABLE TO HELP HER PRINCE IN HIS NEW AND DREADFUL DANGER? DO NOT MISS THE CONTINUATION OF THIS ADVENTURE INTO STRANGE PERILS IN NEXT MONTH'S
WHIZ COMICS.

WHIZ MAGIC

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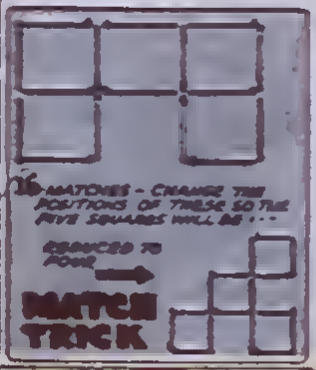
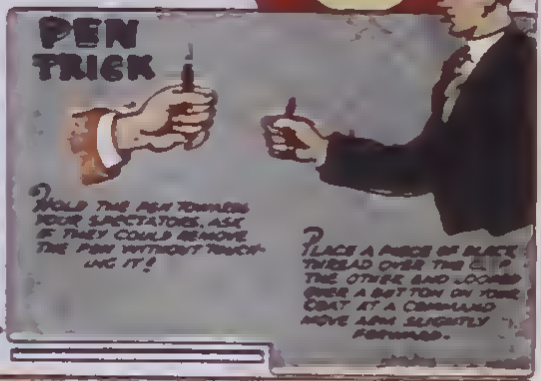
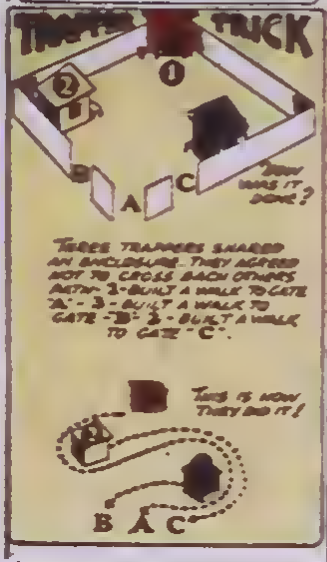
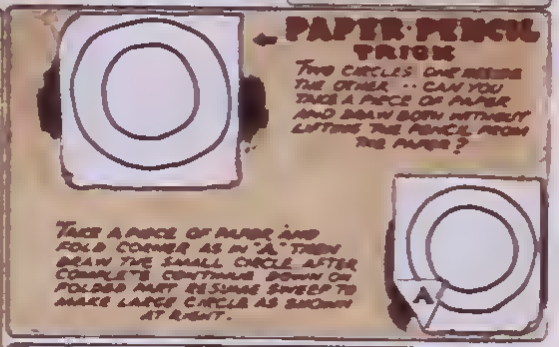
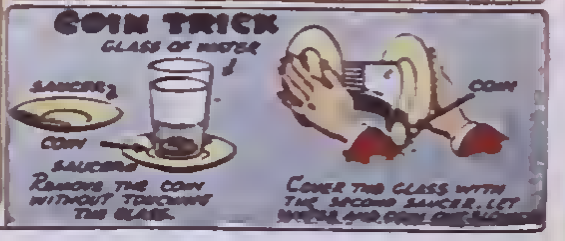



PEN TRICK
WOULD THE PEN TOWARD YOUR SPECTATORS, ASK IF THEY COULD REMOVE THE PEN WITHOUT TOUCHING IT!
PLACE A PIECE OF BLACK THREAD OVER THE PEN AND LOOPED OVER A BUTTON ON YOUR COAT AT A COMMAND MOVE ARM SLIGHTLY FORWARD.


TRAPPER TRICK
1
2
3
A
B
C
HOW WAS IT DONE?
THREE TRAPPERS SHARED AN ENCLOSURE. THEY AGREED NOT TO CROSS EACH OTHERS PATH: 1- BUILT A WALK TO GATE "A" - 2 - BUILT A WALK TO GATE "B" 3 - BUILT A WALK TO GATE "C".
THIS IS HOW THEY DID IT!
B A C


PAPER-PENCIL TRICK
TWO CIRCLES ONE BEHIND THE OTHER ·· CAN YOU TRACE A PIECE OF PAPER AND DRAW BOTH WITHOUT LIFTING THE PENCIL FROM THE PAPER?
TAKE A PIECE OF PAPER AND FOLD CORNER AS IN "A" THEN DRAW THE SMALL CIRCLE AFTER COMPLETE THE CONTINUE DOWN ON FOLDED PART AS SHOWN SWEEP TO MAKE LARGE CIRCLE AS SHOWN AT RIGHT.
A



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